Quality Coverage Matters

Tell insurance companies: Cover all FDA-approved treatments for people with type 1 diabetes

To stay healthy, people with diabetes need insurance coverage that allows them to control their disease. Through its #Coverage2Control campaign, JDRF is urging insurance companies to cover all FDA-authorized diabetes technology and treatments including artificial pancreas (AP) systems that monitor blood-sugar levels and automatically provide the right amount of insulin are approved for people of all ages with T1D. This revolutionary technology advancement dramatically reduces T1D-related risks and gives people with T1D more control over their disease than ever before. Future AP systems are in development and many of these will allow people to choose which algorithm, CGM and insulin pump will work together best for them.

Over the past decade, JDRF has championed the development of life-saving AP technology through direct funding and collaboration with academic, research, government and industry partners. This includes insurers. We now have several AP systems on the market, and already, many next-generation AP systems are in development, which will help people better control their T1D.

Why AP Coverage Matters

While the development of new technology is a great first step, it’s only meaningful if people can access those technologies. Some insurers have said they will only cover certain types of AP systems.

When devices are not covered by insurance, many people cannot afford these technologies because they come with high out-of-pocket costs. People with T1D deserve access to all life-saving technologies, including all hybrid closed-loop AP systems.

AP systems are on the road to becoming the most revolutionary advance in diabetes care since the discovery of insulin. As AP technology advances, these systems will become better and better at predicting blood-sugar changes and providing tightly controlled insulin dosing that virtually eliminates life-threatening hypoglycemic and hyperglycemic episodes.

“"Our family was lucky enough to take part in an artificial pancreas trial, and it changed our lives. For such a technological advancement to not be covered by insurance would be a travesty."

— Angie Platt, Mother of teenage son with T1D

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