## THE LIFESTYLE CLUB

**EVERYONE NEEDS SOME TLC!** 

# Scaling up Type 2 Diabetes Remission

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- ▶ **UK Charity** established 2016 by healthcare practitioners
- ► VISION: A society where everyone enjoys good metabolic health
- ► **AMBITION**: Reverse the type 2 diabetes and prediabetes epidemic.
- ► The Lifestyle Club: an opportunity to scale up type 2 diabetes remission in NHS

#### TYPE 2 DIABETES EPIDEMIC



#### LOW CALORIE MEAL REPLACEMENT

- ▶ DiRECT trial intervention over 12 weeks
- 46% remission rate compared to 4% standard care
- Basis of the NHS Pathway to Remission Programme
- ► A low carbohydrate intervention (126g/day)





#### Low Carbohydrate Diet

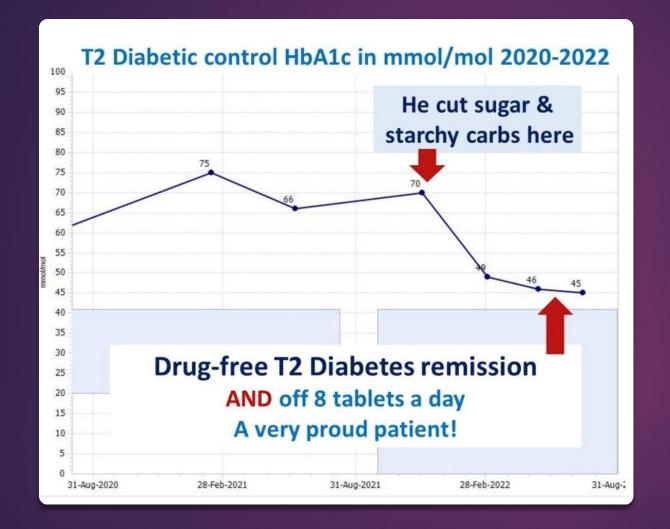
#### **Dr David Unwin FRCGP**

**RCGP National Champion for Collaborative Care and Support** 

51% Remission 97% do better

£373,000 saved since 2018

Unwin D, Delon C, Unwin J, et al What predicts drug-free type 2 diabetes remission? Insights from an 8-year general practice service evaluation of a lower carbohydrate diet with weight loss BMJ Nutrition, Prevention & Health 2023



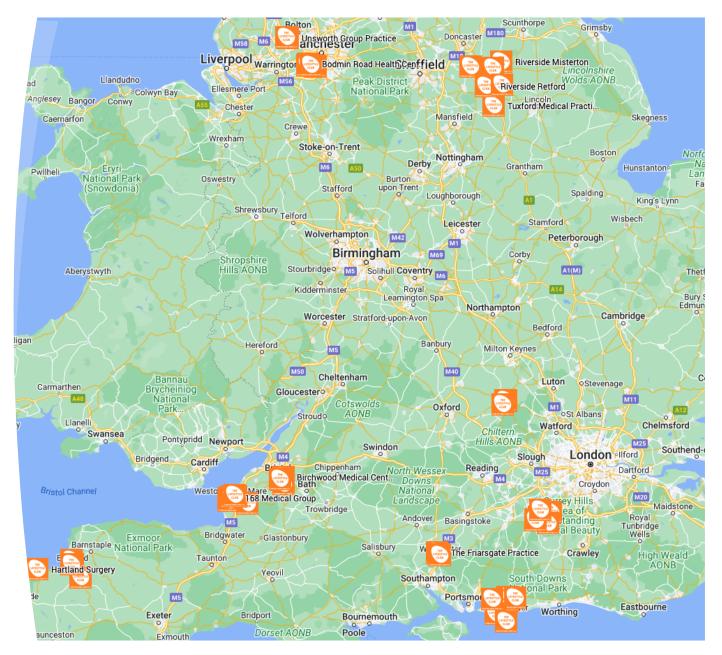
Reducing carbohydrate has a profound and immediate effect...

Food Item	Glycaemic index	Serve size g	How does each food affect blood glucose comparwith one 4g teaspoon of table sugar?	red
Basmati rice	69	150	10.1	
Potato, white, boiled	96	150	9.1	
French Fries baked	64	150	7.5	
Spaghetti White boiled	39	180	6.6	
Sweet corn boiled	60	80	4.0	
Frozen peas, boiled	51	80	1.3 www.phcuk.org/su	gar
Banana	62	120	5.7	
Apple	39	120	2.3	
Wholemeal Small slice	74	30	3.0 Other foods in the very low	
Broccoli	15	80	0.2 glycaemic range would be chicken, oily fish, almonds,	
Eggs	0	60	0 mushrooms, cheese, meat	



## THE LIFESTYLE CLUB

- ▶ 10 PCN, 56 GP Surgeries
- Can use ARRS Funding
- >1400 participants enrolled
- Delivered via Zoom / Teams
- ▶ 88% complete the 8-week course









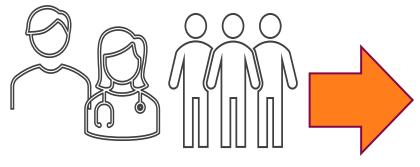
#### WHAT DOES TLC OFFER?

- High quality course developed with X-PERT Health
- 8 weekly, 90-minute sessions, over Zoom
- Maximum 12 people per group
- 100-page TLC handbook
- WhatsApp group for each class
- Lifetime on-going support
  - Monthly Catchup Sessions
  - Facebook
  - WhatsApp
  - Local Support Hubs



referrals count towards QOF

#### TLC ENROLMENT AND DELIVERY

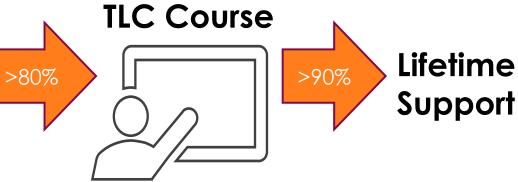


Signpost adults with type 2 diabetes / prediabetes



**CPD** 





8 weekly 1½ hour group sessions over Zoom









Started TLC	July 2023
Weight loss	4+ stone
HbA1c	62 to 41 mmol/mol
Inspiration	Information Goal Setting Meeting others



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#### 1. Goals

What do YOU want to achieve?

What difference would that make to your life?







#### 4. Noticing

What improvements have you noticed? What difference has that made to you?

What changes have your family or friends noticed?



#### 2. Resources

What knowledge, experience and support do you have that will help you achieve this goal?







#### 3. Increments

What will be a small sign that you are making progress?

What is the next small step you can make to help you achieve your goal?









#### JOHN





The main benefit I got from TLC, was comprehensive initial guidance, and that there was always someone to whom I could turn to for advice.

HDL 1 mmol/l TG 1.7 mmol/l TG:HDL 1.7

> HDL 2.3 mmol/l TG 1.5 mmol/l TG:HDL 0.65

Started TLC	June 2021
Weight loss	3 stone 9lb
HbAlc	53 to 36 mmol/mol
Inspiration	Mobility Confidence Choral Singing

#### Beth



When I turned 40, I realised I wanted to change my life. Freedom from 56 units of daily insulin is amazing. I have the lowest HbA1c since diagnosis in 2018!

Started TLC	March 2024
Weight loss	1 stone
HbA1c	95 to 51 mmol/mol
Inspiration	No more injections Freedom from hypos Renew driving license





















Diabetes in Remission





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