A future without T1D starts with you. Get screened!

Thanks in large part to #T1Dfamily members, we understand T1D as a disease that progresses in three distinct stages. This new definition in conjunction with TrialNet’s Pathway to Prevention screening, allows for earlier detection and intervention.

Finding T1D in its earliest stage is critical. To find out if you qualify for free screening through the Pathway to Prevention Study, visit www.trialnet.org/participate

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Quick Facts

What is risk screening?
- A free blood test to detect your risk of T1D years before symptoms appear

Who can get screened?
- People between the age of 1 (age 3 in UK) and 45 with a parent, brother, sister, or child with T1D
- People between the age of 1 and 20 with a grandparent, aunt/uncle, cousin, niece/nephew, or half-sibling with type 1 diabetes

Why get screened?
- Family members of people with T1D are at a 15x greater risk of developing T1D
- The ability to screen for risk of developing T1D provides an opportunity to participate in research that aims to prevent disease progression
- Participants receive close monitoring—their risk of being diagnosed in diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA) decreases from 30% to only 3%

For more information, contact your local TrialNet site:
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Have a question? We’re here to help! 774.441.7787
Super important. Really easy.

Detecting T1D at its earliest stage is critical. A simple blood test is all it takes to learn your risk. Results are typically available in 4-8 weeks.

1. Get Screened

TrialNet screening is available by appointment at more than 200 locations worldwide. Or, we can mail a test kit to you. To learn more, visit www.trialnet.org.

   - Visit Us
     Schedule a screening appointment at one of 200 TrialNet locations.

   - Lab Test Kit
     Take it to your local lab or doctor’s office for your blood test.

   - In-Home Kit
     Collect your own blood sample with a finger-prick and mail it back to us.

2. Eligibility Visit

If you test positive for one or more T1D autoantibodies, you’ll be invited to an eligibility visit. During the visit, you will receive additional testing to confirm your eligibility for a clinical study. If your screening results are negative, you can be rescreened every year until age 18.

3. Enroll in a Trial

TrialNet offers studies for monitoring, prevention, and new-onset. The monitoring study is available to people at increased risk for developing T1D. For people in early stage T1D (stage 1 or stage 2), prevention studies are testing ways to slow down disease progression. Newly diagnosed individuals (stage 3) may be eligible to enroll in new onset studies testing ways to preserve insulin.

   - Monitoring
     Annual or semi-annual monitoring for those at risk.

   - Prevention
     Studies that test specific therapies to maintain insulin production.

   - New Onset
     Studies designed to preserve insulin for the newly diagnosed.

What we learn

When you participate in the Pathway to Prevention Study, you learn your risk of T1D, but we learn so much more! Your blood sample (less than ½ teaspoon) can be used for many other studies to advance our knowledge of T1D.

Autoantibodies

TrialNet screening looks for five autoantibodies that signal an increased risk for T1D. Two or more autoantibodies signal early stage T1D, and the risk of clinical diagnosis nears 100%. There may be other autoantibodies yet to be discovered. Another reason why your participation is so important!

Beta cells

In people with T1D, the immune system mistakenly attacks healthy insulin-producing cells, called beta cells, and destroys them. Your blood sample, when compared with thousands of others, furthers our understanding of how beta cells react in different stages of T1D. And that’s important to finding a way to slow down disease progression.

Immune response

Your blood sample provides greater knowledge of risk factors and events within the immune system that trigger T1D. When you get screened, your sample is compared with thousands of others to help us learn more about why some people go on to develop T1D while others do not.

Our Goal

Your participation today has the potential to lead to life-changing therapies, prevention and the ultimate goal of a cure!