Unfair discrimination: meeting the challenges of diabetic hypoglycemia in the community

People with diabetes have the right to social justice and the right not to be discriminated against\(^1\) – which are topics addressed in the Feature Article from this issue of Diabetic Hypoglycemia (www.hypodiab.com). Unfounded fears or misinformation regarding hypoglycemia can cause people with diabetes to feel ostracized in the community and lead to unfair discrimination. In this issue’s Feature Article, Professor Linda Siminerio describes the restrictions that have been imposed on people with insulin-treated diabetes because of the risk of hypoglycemia, and asks: are these restrictions outmoded in the era of modern diabetes management?

This issue of Diabetic Hypoglycemia also discusses evidence for a bidirectional link between hypoglycemia and cognitive decline in older people with type 2 diabetes, and the role of glucagon for the treatment and prevention of severe hypoglycemia. In addition, recent studies on residual β-cell function in type 1 diabetes, the association between fasting blood glucose and nocturnal hypoglycemia, and the rate of hypoglycemia with sensor-augmented insulin pump therapy are described.

Reference


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