

GLP-1 Pathway

GLP-1 Alternative options to oral agents

If at any stage the oral agent is not suitable or tolerated consider either a GLP-1 alternative or moving on to the next oral agent

Oral Pathway

Step One → Metformin

GLP1 Monotherapy
If intolerant to metformin and weight loss is a desire consider GLP-1

Once Weekly

Dulaglutide (can be combined with all other oral diabetic medication)

Step Two options

Empagliflozin or other oral agents

Once Daily

Lixisenatide (can be combined with all other oral diabetic medicine)

Empagliflozin & other oral agents

Liraglutide (more potent)

Gliclazide (SU)/ pioglitazone only or metformin

Step Two → Linagliptin

Patient is established on Metformin
If DPP -4 inhibitor (gliptin) is not tolerated and/or weight loss is desirable and a SGLT2 (flozin) is not an option consider a GLP-1

Once Weekly

Dulaglutide (can be combined with all other diabetic medication)

Step Three Options

Empagliflozin or other oral agents

Once Daily

Lixisenatide (can be combined with all other diabetic medicine)

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Liraglutide (more potent)

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Step Three → Empagliflozin

If SGLT 2 (flozin) is not an option. There is a little to be gained from using a GLP-1. If DPP - 4 inhibitor (gliptin) has been used at step 2

If SGLT2 has been used at step 2

Once Weekly GLP-1

Dulaglutide

Once Daily GLP-1

Lixisenatide

If patient is taking metformin + an DPP4-I (gliptin) but is unsuitable or intolerant f of a SGLT2 (flozin). There is little to be gained by adding in a GLP-1 consider gliclazide or pioglitazone or referring for insulin initiation

When established on triple therapy-Next step if required

- Gliclazide and pioglitazone could be considered
- Refer to diabetes specialist nurse to consider insulin initiation.