



United for Improved Access to Integrated Type 1 Diabetes Care

A growing health crisis

Today, people living with type 1 diabetes (T1D) in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) lose 40 years of life¹ compared to their peers in high-income countries. Limited access to care, insulin, monitoring, and education are largely to blame.

Tragically, many die before even receiving a diagnosis¹ — and cases are on the rise. By 2040, new cases of T1D are projected to increase by 50%, with an estimated 240,000 new cases in LMICs.¹

And though leading philanthropies and industry partners have contributed significant resources to global T1D programs, projects are relatively siloed and unacceptable gaps remain.

¹ T1D Index, 2024

An alliance for impact

To address these unacceptable disparities, partners across industry, philanthropy, and the T1D community have come together to create the Alliance for Integrated, Government-led Networks for T1D (ALIGN-T1D).

ALIGN-T1D aims to boost the collective impact and sustainability of investments to help guarantee access to comprehensive support and quality supplies for all people living with T1D by focusing on five strategic objectives in collaboration with Ministries of Health and T1D communities:

1. Strengthen **integrated T1D service delivery** across all levels of health care
2. Enhance **access to insulin, blood glucose monitoring, and other supplies**
3. Improve the sustainability of T1D health care programs by fostering their **integration into national health systems**
4. Amplify and elevate the **role of T1D communities**
5. **Mobilize stakeholders and funding**

Through a multi-year strategy, ALIGN-T1D will optimize funding and coordinate programs with Ministries of Health, T1D communities, and other country partners to help improve access to quality care, supplies, and support.

The way forward

The Alliance will start engagement with Ministries of Health and country partners in 3 countries in late 2025, with the ambition to scale and expand to other countries over time. At each stage, the initiative will aim to advance priorities as defined by country and community stakeholders, pursuing integration and sustainability of care.

In the three start-up geographies alone, ALIGN-T1D aims to:



Reach **165,000** people living with T1D and, collectively, **1,000,000** individuals who use insulin



Aid in the diagnosis of **14,000** additional people living with T1D



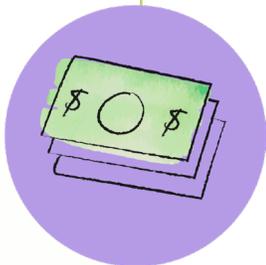
Train **14,000** health care workers

Interested in learning more about engaging with ALIGN-T1D and supporting the Alliance's efforts to close the unacceptable equity gap in access to adequate T1D care?

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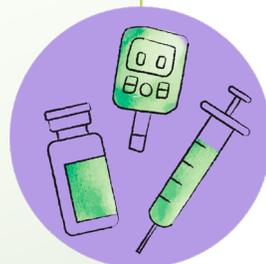
Global collaboration, local investment

To drive these changes, the Alliance will:



Optimize Investments in Countries and Communities

To increase the impact and sustainability of investments, **ALIGN-T1D will serve as a platform to engage with governments and diabetes communities to streamline existing and new investments** and ensure they are prioritized towards areas of greatest need. Strategic priorities for each country will be set by government and community stakeholders.



Enhance Access to Insulin and Monitoring Supplies

To break down barriers that prevent people of all ages living with T1D from accessing the insulin and monitoring supplies they need to survive, **ALIGN-T1D is committed to working on practical cross-country solutions that aim to address the most important barriers preventing governments from meeting demand.**



Build Momentum for Global T1D Equity

To elevate T1D priorities in national, regional, and global conversations, **ALIGN-T1D plans to enhance collaboration among partners, convene stakeholders around a shared strategy, and mobilize additional funders.**

Founding partners and contributors



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