

## **NEWS FLASH! – DANII needs your support to gain funding for CGM for adults over 21 years**



The Department of Health has called for submissions regarding the freestyle Libre flash monitor. This is a very important opportunity to have your say in determining the funding priorities of government, and demand access to CGM for over 21 years.

**The consultation closes close 17 July so we need you to please act now!**

The consultation survey is [available here](#)

- If you do not make your voice heard now the Department may recommend additional funding that jeopardises funding for CGM for those over 21 years.
- Based on publicly available data the cost of **CGM is as low as \$8.22 /day. The cost of Freestyle Libre is \$ 6.34 /day.**
- This equates to only \$700 difference per year to ensure lifesaving alarm and secondary alarm capacity and the ability to link to an insulin pump. Tell the Department of Health that CGM represents better value for money for government expenditure as well as lifesaving capability.

**DANII believes it is important you to let the Department of Health know the following.**

- That you deserve the same protection from CGM as those under 21 years.
- How CGM has/could assist you.
- When considering ongoing funding for adults with Type 1 diabetes it is critical that the government determines life-saving technology with secondary alarm capacity of Continuous Glucose Monitors as the **FUNDING PRIORITY**.
- The leading cause of death in Type 1 Diabetics under 40, is 'Dead in Bed' Syndrome'.

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<sup>1</sup> Dalquist G, Kallen B. Mortality in childhood onset type 1 diabetes: a population based study. Diabetes Care 2005; 28:2384-2387