

With me, every step of the way



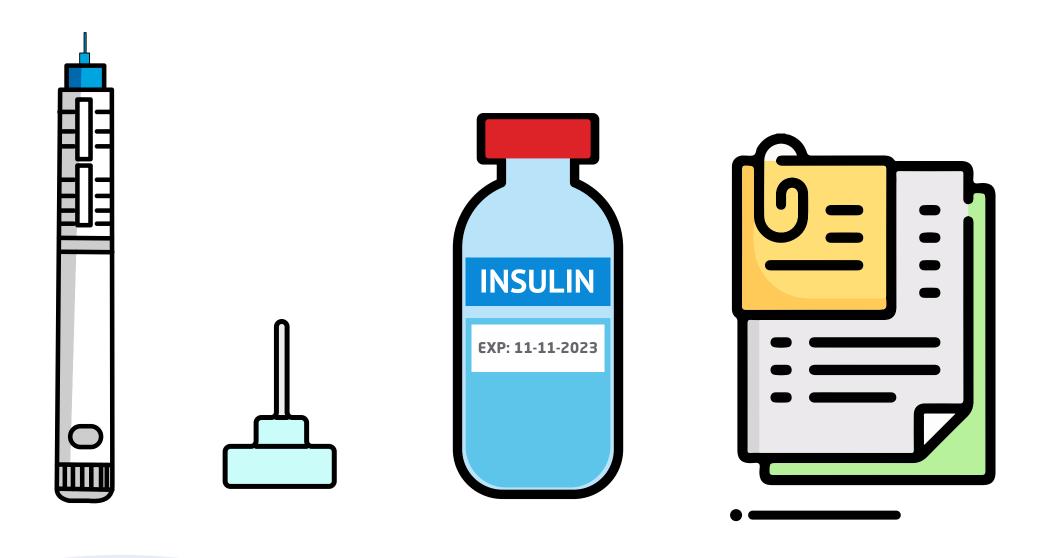
It's important to prepare well and take precautions for ENJOYABLE AND RELAXED TRAVELLING EXPERIENCE WITH INSULIN



## PRE-TRAVEL PREPARATIONS

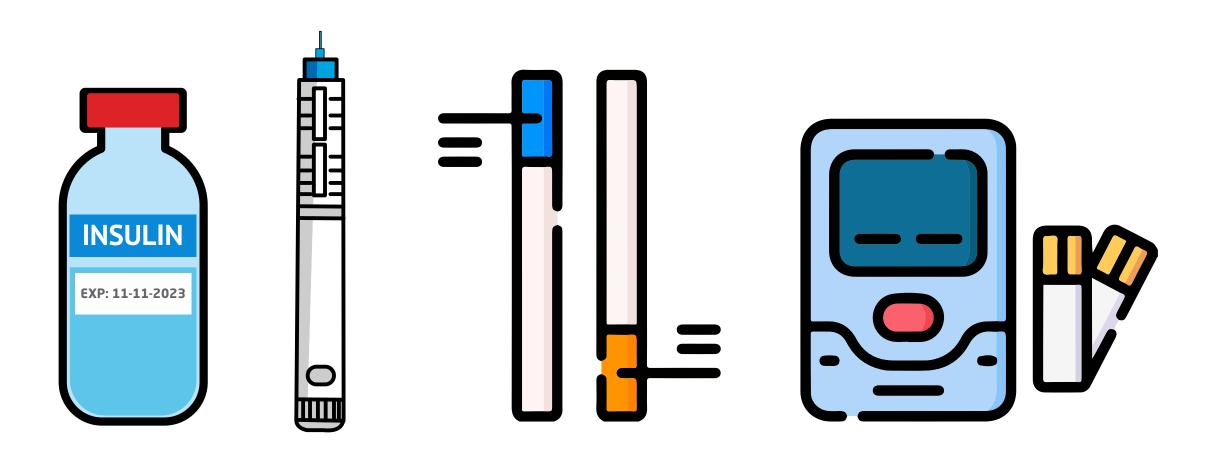
### VISIT YOUR DOCTOR 4-6 WEEKS PRIOR REGARDING

- Necessary vaccinations
- Insulin adjustments
- Medical documents about your current health condition
- The requirement to carry sharps (needles, lancets etc.)



# FOR FLIGHT DELAYS OR EXTENDED STAY, IT IS ADVISABLE TO PACK ADDITIONAL

- Insulin vials/Cartridges
- Syringes/Pens
- Hypo-kit materials
- Glucometer strips
- Urine/Blood Ketone testing strips



# Always KEEP THE INSULIN SUPPLIES IN TWO DIFFERENT BAGS to eliminate the risk in case of misplaced luggage



### CARRY APPROPRIATE CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR

as per the regional weather conditions

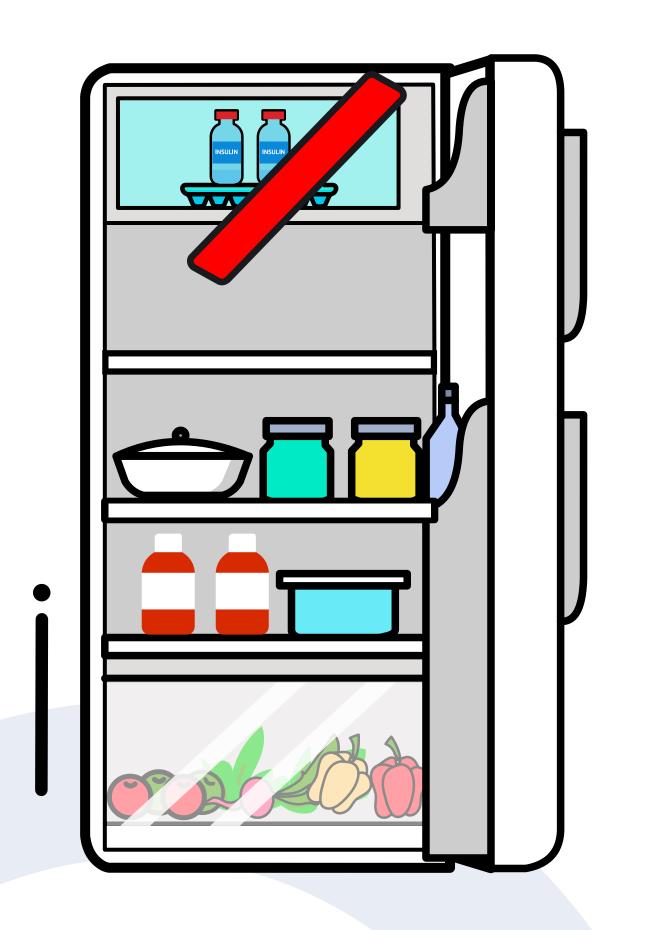


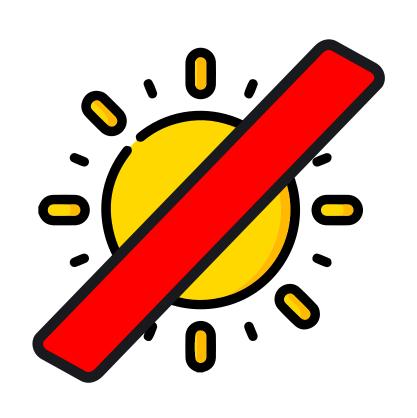


#### STORING INSULIN WHILE TRAVELLING

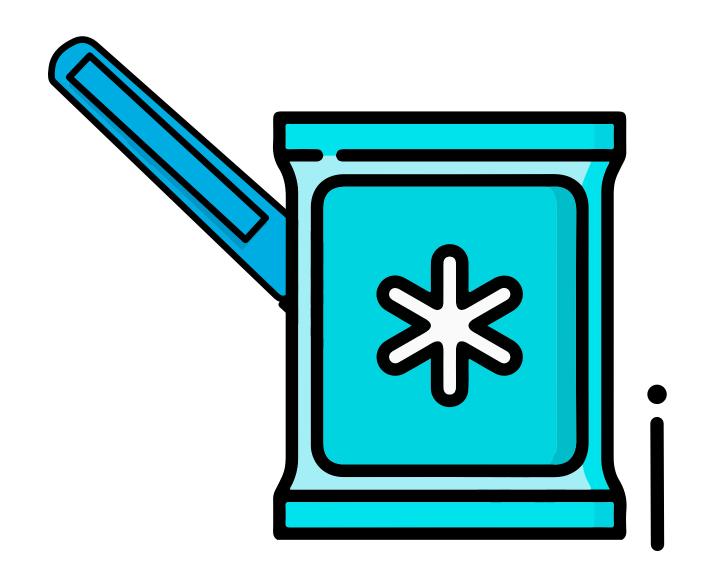
# BEING SENSITIVE TO EXTREME TEMPERATURES, INSULIN SHOULD NEVER BE KEPT IN

- The freezer
- Directly on ice
- Under direct sunlight
- The glove compartment of a car





# Store the Insulin vial/pen in SPECIAL INSULATED OR COOLING POUCHES which are available easily

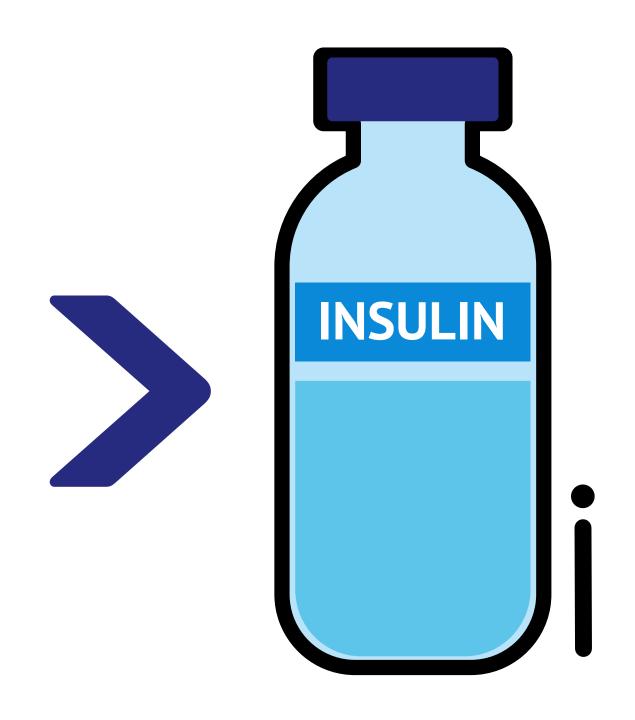


Insulin should always be carried in HAND LUGGAGE WHEN TRAVELLING BY AIR to avoid the below zero temperature damage in the cargo

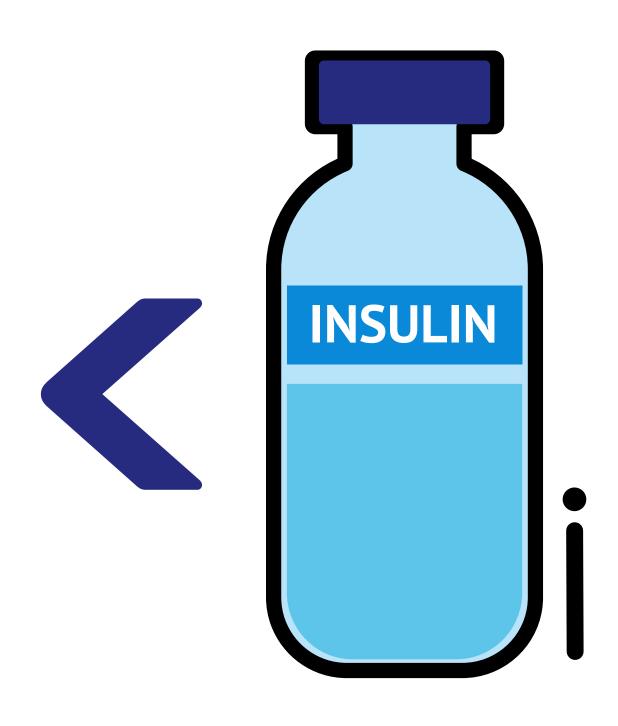


# INSULINADJUSTMENT WHILE TRAVELLING ACROSS TIME-ZONES

# You may need lesser Insulin WHILE TRAVELLING FROM THE WEST TO THE EAST as the days get shorter



# You may need more Insulin WHILE TRAVELLING FROM THE EAST TO THE WEST as the days get longer



You will need to discuss Insulin timing and dosages with your doctor well in advance when you plan to travel across different time zones

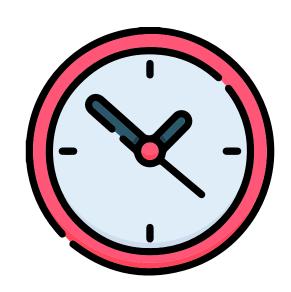


### INSULIN ADJUSTMENTS WILL BE NEEDED BASED ON THE

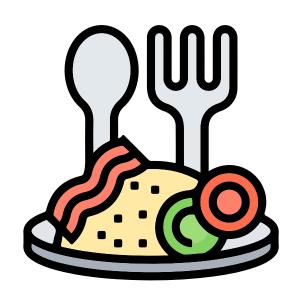
Flight duration



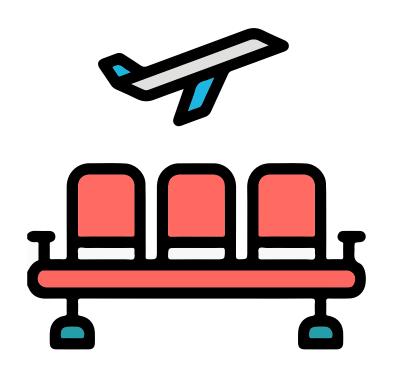
Number of hours of time zone shift



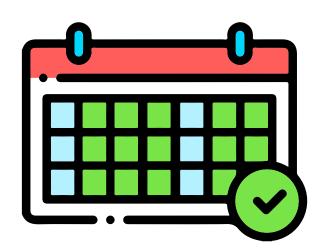
Timing of meals & Snacks



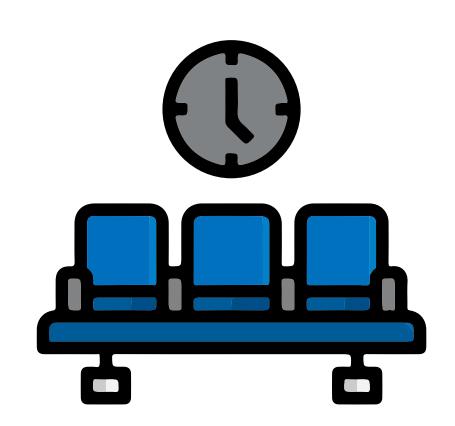
#### Layovers



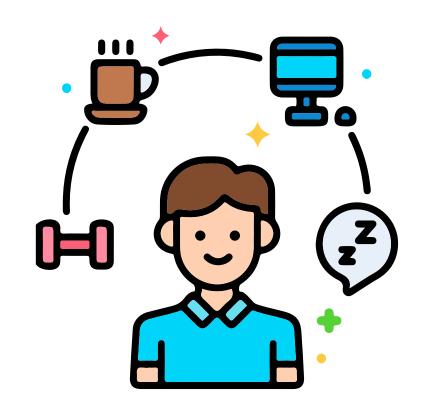
Regular pattern of Insulin doses



Time of arrival at the destination



Day's activities

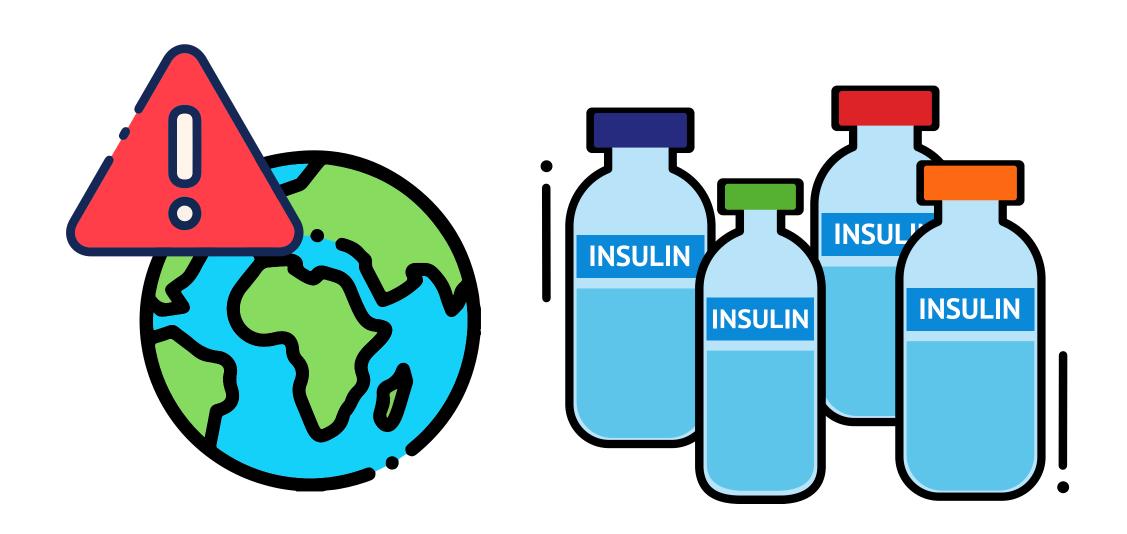


#### PURCHASING INSULIN IN INTERNATIONAL COUNTRIES

#### YOU SHOULD BE AWARE of

the various Insulin concentrations available in the country you are travelling.

U-40, U-100 or U-80 may be available in some nations

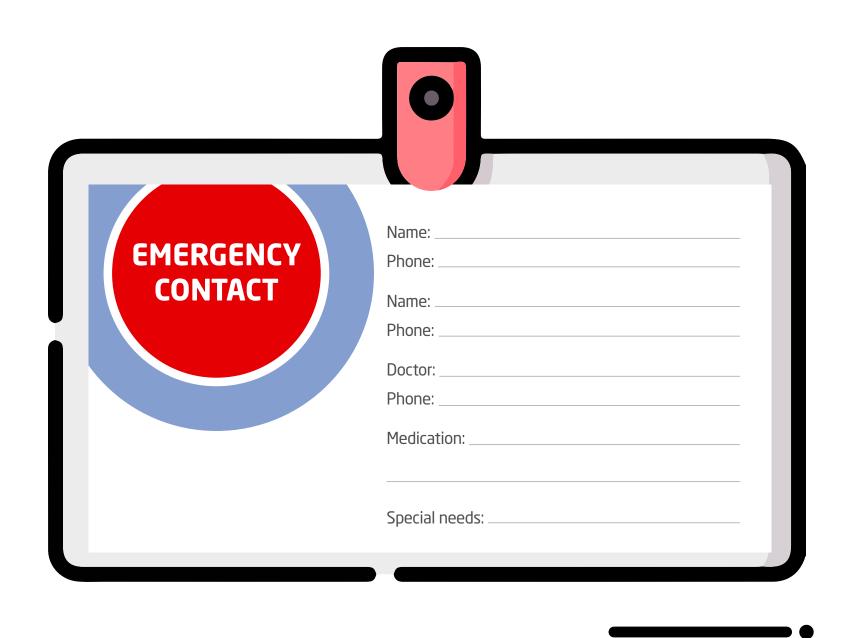


**NOTE:** In order to avoid delivering more or less Insulin than needed, the correct syringes should be used according to the concentration.

### SELF-CARE TIPS

### ALWAYS CARRY YOUR DIABETES IDENTITY CARD

and doctor's recent prescription along with you

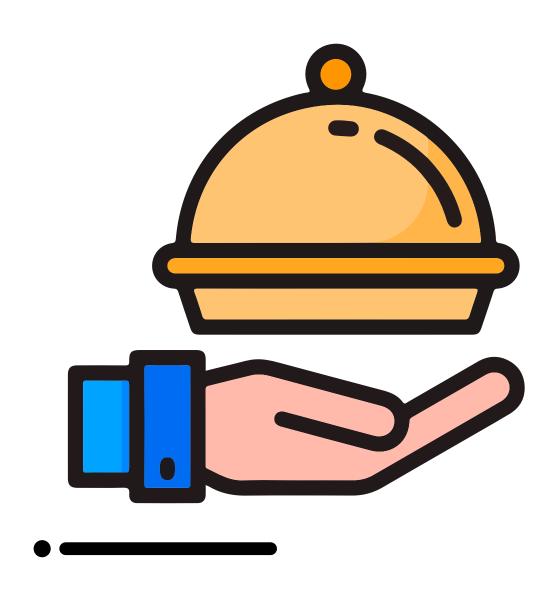


# CARRY THE RELEVANT DOCUMENTS that you may need in case of security checks at the airport



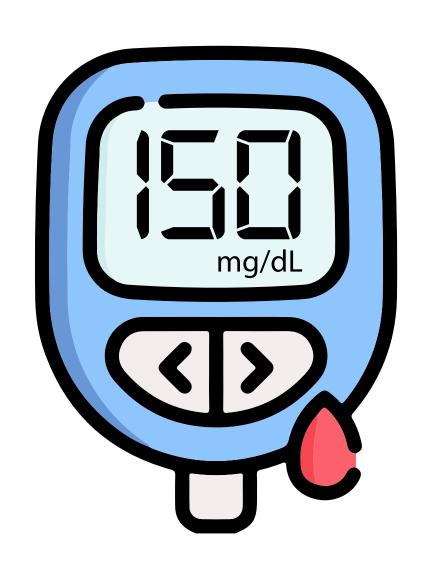
### FIND OUT ABOUT FOOD OPTIONS AVAILABLE while

travelling and at the destination so that you can plan to eat healthy and on time



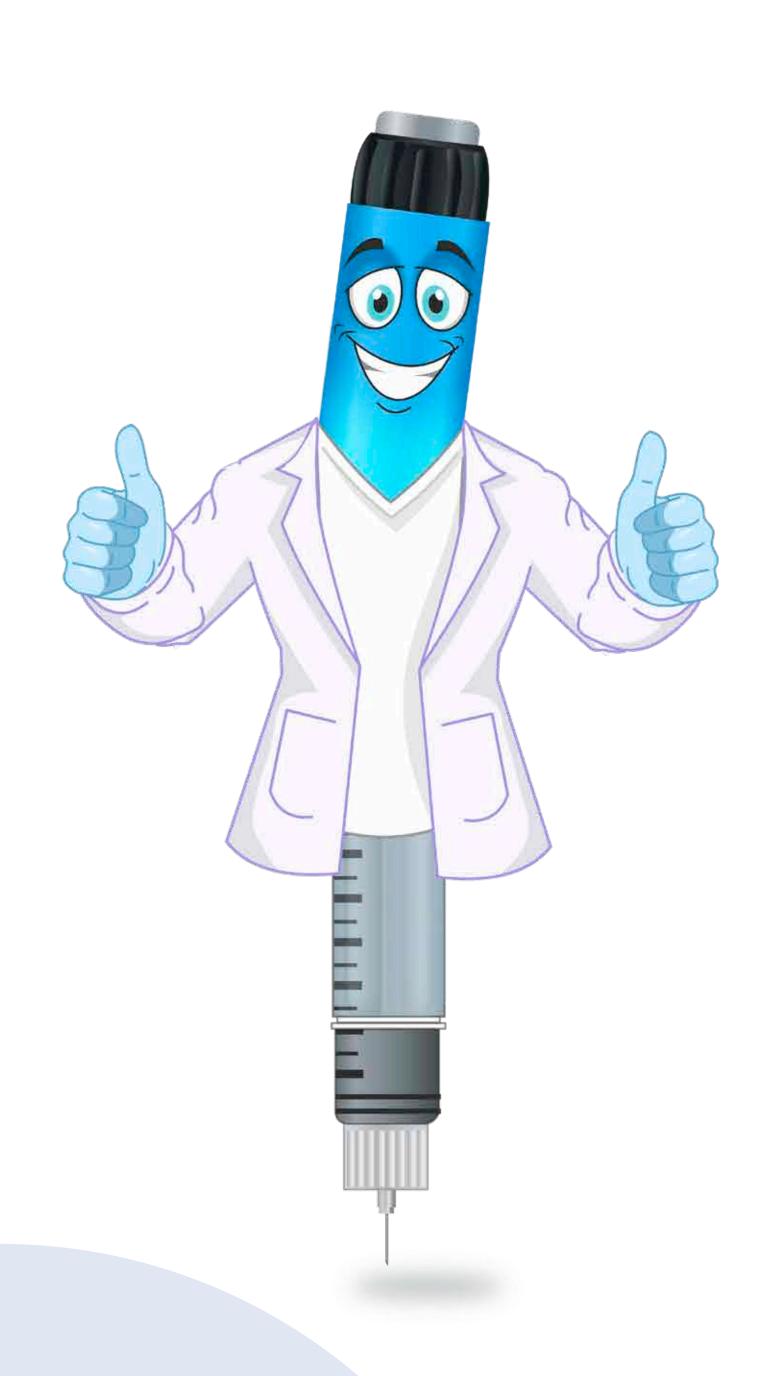
**NOTE:** Carry some healthy snacks along

MONITOR BLOOD SUGAR as it may go high or low depending on the change in routine, timings, food consumed and increased or decreased activity during travel



### For more information, contact your doctor or your

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