



## **Managing Meals**

## Tips for getting good post-meal glucose levels!

- Review carbohydrate to insulin (CIR) ratios around 2-4 weeks after starting CamAPS FX and periodically thereafter.
  - If you see the algorithm routinely shutting off insulin delivery directly after the meal, the CIR might be too strong.
  - If the algorithm ramps up to give a lot of insulin directly after the meal, the CIR may be too weak.
- Carbohydrate counting and choice of carbs influences post-meal glucose levels, so aim to be as accurate as possible when estimating carbs and try to choose lower glycaemic index (GI) foods.
- Aim to give mealtime insulin 10-15 minutes before eating.
- ✓ For people with unpredictable appetites, consider covering the minimum amount of carbs and topping up with an additional bolus later or the 'add meal' function if required.
- ✓ If a bolus is late / forgotten, consider giving ±50% of the calculated bolus or using 'Boost' to help correct the high as the algorithm will have increased insulin delivery to cover some of the meal already.

## **Complex meals**

- ✓ For large carb meals or where you previously split the bolus (dual / extended wave), consider entering a maximum of about 60g via the bolus calculator or the initial (first dose) bolus you usually did 10-15 minutes before the meal and then leaving CamAPS FX to manage the rest over the next few hours.
  - Adjust the carb amount entered via the bolus calculator next time depending on the outcome.
- If post-meal glucose levels are consistently above target when splitting the dose as above, consider:
  - 1. Giving the insulin for the rest of the carbs via a second bolus (using the bolus calculator) during or at the end of the meal <u>OR</u>
  - 2. Enter the remaining carbs in the 'add meal' function to inform the algorithm that additional 'x' grams of carbs are being consumed.
    - Choose 'Meal or snack'. This announces to the system that extra carbs are being eaten. CamAPS FX will adjust to cover the carbs but only when glucose rises.
  - 3. For slowly absorbed meals often higher fat, protein and / or very low GI meals consider splitting the bolus, but this time add the remaining (2<sup>nd</sup>) amount of carbs in the 'add meal' function <u>AND</u> choosing 'slowly absorbed meal'.
    - CamAPS FX will deliver additional insulin, if required, every 30 minutes for the next 3-4 hours in response to rising glucose levels.
    - You will see 6 green triangles on Diasend when this feature is used.

## Need help?

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