

Every 10 seconds...

one person dies from diabetes-related complications¹

Type 2 diabetes is a chronic, life-long condition that can damage our bodies dramatically

- Each year, 3.8 million deaths are linked directly to diabetes-related causes¹

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The risk of stroke in newly treated type 2 diabetes is more than double that of the general population²



People with diabetes are two to four times more likely to have cardiovascular disease than someone without diabetes³

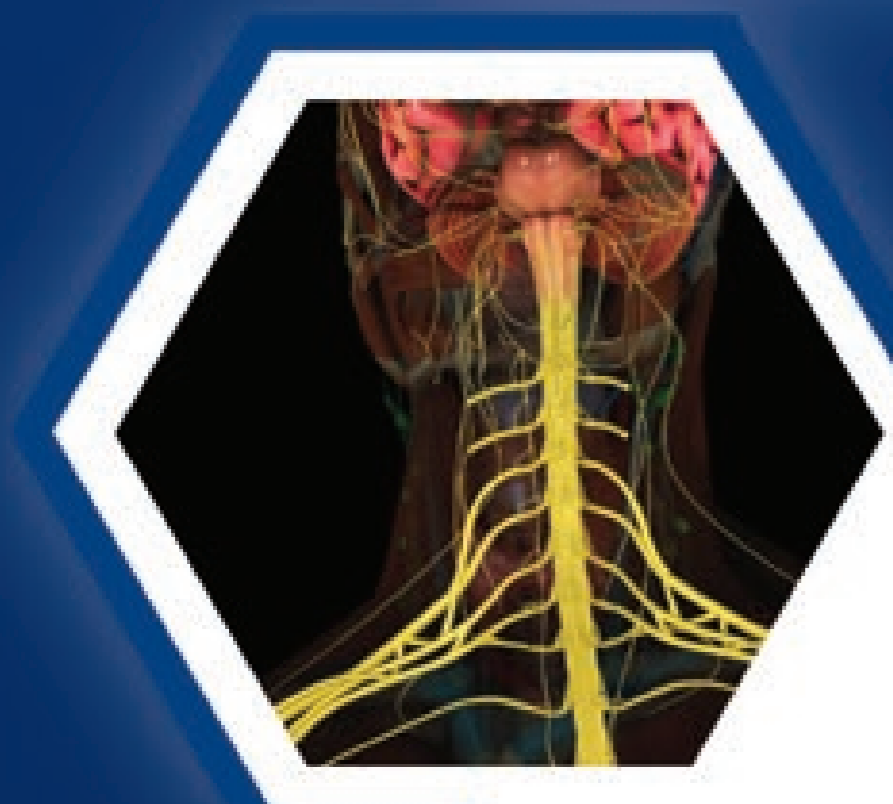
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Damage to the kidney filtering systems from diabetes (diabetic nephropathy) is a leading cause of kidney failure⁴



Microvascular damage to the retina from diabetes (diabetic retinopathy) is a leading cause of blindness⁵



Damage to the nerves from diabetes (diabetic neuropathy) is a leading cause of foot wounds and ulcers, which frequently leads to foot and leg amputation⁶



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