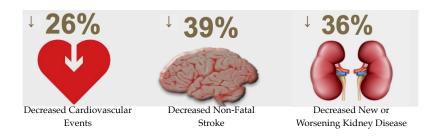
Heart Disease & Type 2 Diabetes: GLP1 Receptor Agonist - Ozempic (semaglutide)

Type 2 Diabetes is a progressive, life-long disease in which your pancreas does not produce enough insulin, or your body does not properly use the insulin it makes - and the *body's blood sugar can get too high*.

High blood sugar levels can cause blindness, kidney problems, nerve damage, erectile dysfunction and can lead to <u>cholesterol plaque build-up</u>, <u>which can result in heart attack</u>, <u>heart failure</u> and stroke.

- You may develop heart disease 10-15 years earlier, than those without diabetes
- 40% 60% of people with Type 2 Diabetes will die from heart disease

MEDICATIONS PLAY A KEY ROLE IN LOWERING YOUR RISKS FOR HEART DISEASE/STROKE, TOGETHER WITH LIFESTYLE CHANGES



A group of medications, called GLP1 Agonists - which includes **OZEMPIC** (semaglutide), can be added to metformin or other medications to help you DECREASE heart disease risks.

OZEMPIC is injected under the skin (subcutaneously) into your stomach (abdomen), thigh, or upper arm ONCE A WEEK - IS NOT AN INSULIN



If you miss a dose: take the missed dose as soon as possible within 5 days - If more than 5 days have passed, skip the missed dose, and take your next dose on your regularly scheduled day

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- * Common side effect of OZEMPIC is **weightloss** and may also include nausea, diarrhea, vomiting, stomach (abdominal) pain, and constipation. If you experience nausea, here are some general nausea tips that you might find helpful:
- Eat bland, low-fat foods, like crackers, toast, and rice
- Eat foods that contain water, like soups and gelatin
- Avoid fried, greasy, or sweet foods
- Avoid lying down after you eat
- Go outdoors for fresh air
- Eat more slowly
- Drink clear or ice-cold drinks