

Dianne Mattiace

Game changer

Occupation: Woodworking business entrepreneur; former real estate agent and healthcare administrator

Lives in: Lake Martin, Alabama

Fun facts: Volunteer; doting grandmother



About Dianne

After noticing her vision was blurry, Dianne was diagnosed with type 2 diabetes at age 41. With a background in healthcare, the diagnosis did not make sense to her. "I was thin. I exercised," she said. "There was nothing to indicate I was type 2." Her blood sugar kept rising, and her physician continued to increase her dosages of insulin. Finally she sought the help of an endocrinologist who admitted her to the hospital and ordered a C-peptide test. When the results came back, Dianne's hunch was confirmed: she had type 1 diabetes.

Now 68, Dianne tried two CGM devices over the past 20 years. Since she also wore an insulin pump and was extremely active in her former job as a real estate manager, she found them cumbersome and was annoyed by the alarms and calibrations.

Hearing about Eversense from her doctor was life changing. "I said, 'Oh, under the skin—I want that. Can we do it today?'" she recalls, laughing.



Dianne's enthusiasm comes in handy in her role as an Eversense ambassador. "I wanted to be a part of this because I think Eversense is such a breakthrough in treatment. I have such a more normal free life now. I'm no longer tied to my meter checking my blood sugar 12 times a day. Now it's automatically getting checked every five minutes."

On Eversense: "Eversense is the first and only product that I have ever used that allowed me to feel like I'm in control. I used to have a low blood sugar on an average once a day; I now have an average of maybe one a month. I'm able to treat it before it gets dangerous."

"You have to learn how to control the disease and not let the disease control you."