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I am a certified diabetes care and education specialist that works both in a family medicine clinic and an endocrinology clinic. I have seen on a daily basis the difference CGM can make in a person with diabetes life for both improving their blood sugar control and in easing the burden of diabetes. Research has shown that patients that put on a CGM will decrease their A1C by 1% just by wearing one. For those on insulin and oral hypoglycemics it is an essential tool that gives warning of potential low blood sugars and of active low blood sugars to help them treat/correct a low blood sugar before it becomes an emergency. I strongly support Medicaid including coverage for CGM for those on 1 daily injection or with a history of severe hypoglycemia. It is literally life changing and lifesaving to have access to this technology.