

UK pump support groups

A list of insulin pump support groups and organisations in the UK

Insulin Pumpers UK is aware of the following groups that meet from time to time. For more information, please contact the person listed:

- **National groups**
 - INPUT
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 - Insulin Pumpers UK
 - **Local groups**
 - Capital Pumpers
 - Pump It
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National groups

INPUT

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.....an independent voluntary organisation

A national support group helping people to get pump funding.

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INPUT regularly organises pump presentations. [See the INPUT website for announcements](#). All are welcome. Admission is free.

Pump Management for Professionals (PUMP)

Aim of Pump Management for professionals (PUMP): to provide education, support and to facilitate the use of pump therapy in the UK.

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Objectives:

- To arrange bi-annual PUMP forum meetings
- To provide education about all aspects of pump therapy for multidisciplinary team members
- To support Forum members and others embarking on insulin pump therapy
- To establish and maintain a national register of insulin pump users in the UK
- To promote research and audit of insulin pump therapy in the UK

See article [New insulin pump forum launched in UK](#) in Sep 2000 edition of Practical Diabetes International.

Insulin Pumpers UK



Insulin Pumpers UK is an internet based group, running this information website and an [email discussion group](#).

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Local groups

Capital Pumpers

A patient support group based at [Hammersmith Hospital](#), London. People from other clinics are welcome.

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The general idea is to have 3 meetings a year at which general discussion with other users will take place. Lobbying of Trusts, Health Authorities, PCG etc will be formulated and for those of us who are currently paying for our pumps and supplies we can hopefully discuss costs with manufacturers etc. From time to time manufacturers may make presentations.

Pump It



Pump It is a Harrogate-based insulin pump users group providing support for people using insulin pumps.

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Harrogate is a nationally recognised Centre of Excellence for pump therapy, with nearly 10% of patients with diabetes using a pump. The last meeting was on Thursday 24th May 2001, 8.00pm, Harrogate Hospital Trust HQ. A presentation was made by John Hughes, General Manager of [Disetronic UK](#). Meetings will follow on the first Thursday of each month starting in July. The August meeting will include a presentation by Peter Jennings of [Minimed](#). The group comprises people using insulin pumps and their partners, health care professionals and anyone else interested in pump therapy.

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