

Dad's Love Is Behind Diabetes Breakthrough

Carson City, NV – Greg Gilbert isn't a doctor, he's a dad. In 1986 his daughter was diagnosed a type 1 diabetic. She was just two-years-old.

"Trina became extremely brittle," he explains. "My wife and I couldn't let her out of our sight. We'd put her in bed between us. One day you'd measure her eating and insulin and she'd be fine. The next day you'd do the exact same thing and she'd go into convulsions under the covers."

Gilbert says he couldn't take watching his youngest daughter slowly rotting from the inside out. "I took a doctor out to lunch and told him I planned to make a smarter insulin pump. I had no idea how I was going to do it, but I thought it needed to be done. He said, 'Why make a pump? Blood sugar is just a symptom. Diabetes is a metabolic problem.' So, I decided to change her metabolism."

Gilbert wasn't a doctor; he was a lawyer working in the oil and gas industry. Knowing his baby would face amputations, blindness, and a shorter life span was enough to make him head to medical school for a few years.

Most people think diabetes is about blood sugar. Control your insulin and you control the problem. But even the most attentive of diabetics – those who religiously give themselves insulin shots or medications - can only hold-off the damage. Doctor Marc Rose is now working with Gilbert to promote the only treatment that addresses the core problem of diabetes, improper metabolism causing diabetic complications.

"We decided to mimic what the body does. After eating, the normal persons' pancreas micro-pulses insulin. We decided to develop a machine that mimics that for them. This fixes the metabolism at the inter-cellular level."

Gilbert's daughter was the first child to try out their new gizmo. "She was six," says Gilbert. "We were confident, but didn't really know if it was going to work. Then, one day I heard a noise. I thought it was the cat. I turned the corner and there was my daughter. She was singing. The therapy was already making her feel that good! My baby was six and had been so sickly her whole life that I had never heard her make happy noises before."

That was nearly 20 years ago. This month, the company has gone public. The FDA has given the pump their approval. VitalCare Diabetic Treatment Centers is leading the way in bringing this medical miracle to the public.

"This isn't a replacement for the insulin diabetics give themselves every day," says Dr. Rose, "This is better. We can halt the damage a diabetic's body is going through. We can stabilize them. In truth, and this is the amazing part...we can fix them."

One of the best examples of VitalCare 'fixing' a diabetic with problems isn't a child with type 1 diabetes, like Trina Gilbert. It is a middle aged woman with type II diabetes. She came to Gilbert explaining her only hope was a heart transplant she couldn't get because her body, like all late-stage diabetics, was killing itself. "After 9 months of treatment," says Gilbert, "That woman's doctor said she didn't need a heart transplant anymore. Today, that same woman who was given six months to live in 1992 is healthy and in her 60's."

Those miracles don't happen without VitalCare's treatment protocol. Type 1 (juvenile diabetes) and type 2 (adult onset diabetes) are two completely different diseases. But both have one thing in common; no matter how careful the patient is to control blood sugar and measure insulin shots, they can only slow the bleeding into the eyes, the damage to the extremities and the likely need for dialysis. The FDA says 6 hours in a VitalCare Clinic once a week can not only stop the damage, for type II diabetes, it may reverse it.

It worked for Trina Gilbert. Today, she is 26-years-old. The only hospitalization she's ever needed was for the birth of her three children, Gilberts grandchildren. "You can't tell she's diabetic," says Gilbert, "She has perfect eyes, perfect kidneys. You can run all the tests you want. They all come back 'normal.'"

So why is Gilbert still up at night? It isn't because his 2-year-old is convulsing under the covers beside him.

"I'll tell you a secret," he says. "Sometimes I'm still awake fighting back tears. Somewhere there's another little girl whose parents don't know our clinics are out there. And without access to a clinic, I can't help her. Without access to our clinic, that child really is doomed to a life filled with complications and pain."

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Greg Gilbert is a lawyer whose life changed in 1986 when his 2-year-old daughter, Trina, was diagnosed as a type 1 diabetic. He was instrumental in

the creation of VitalCare (Care That Is Vital for Your Life) and remains the heart behind the project to this day.

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