# Non-infectious diseases

Type of Non infectious disease	Description/examples	
Nutritional	<ul> <li>Overeating,</li> <li>undereating,</li> <li>not eating a balanced diet may result in</li> <li>Obesity</li> <li>heart disease,</li> <li>malnutrition</li> <li>conditions such as scurvy and anaemia</li> </ul>	
Ageing	The gradual breakdown of body tissues and conditions such as <ul> <li>arthritis,</li> <li>osteoporosis,</li> <li>heart disease</li> <li>nerve disorders</li> </ul>	
Cancer	Multiplication of body cells at an abnormal rate	

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Inherited	Diseases that are passed on from generation to generation; for example,  • haemophilia • colour blindness	
Mental	Disorders with a variety of causes, such as <ul> <li>chemical deficiencies in the body</li> <li>stress and trauma resulting in</li> <li>depression</li> <li>schizophrenia</li> <li>anxiety</li> </ul>	
Chemical (metabolic)	Chemical deficiencies in the body, causing diseases such <ul><li>diabetes</li></ul>	
Environmental disorders	8	

#### **Diabetes**

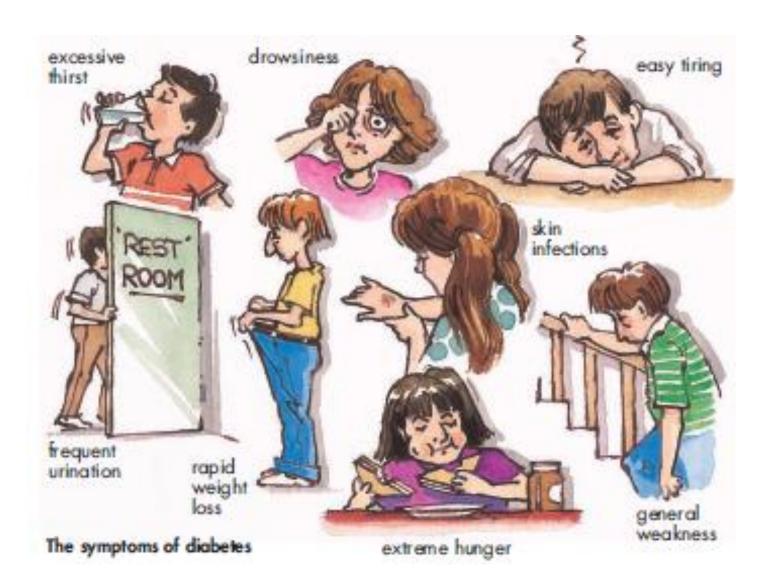
#### Causes:

# Type 1 diabetes

 It is an auto-immune condition in which the immune system is activated to destroy the cells in the pancreas which produce insulin (pancreas stops making insulin)

# Type 2 diabetes

- It is one of the major consequences of the obesity epidemic
- changes to diet and the food supply, combined with massive changes to physical activity with more sedentary work and less activity
- genetic



The symptoms of diabetes

### **Management:**

## **Type 1:**

insulin injections several times a day or the use of an insulin pump

## **Type 2:**

- prescribed tablets to control their blood glucose levels
- eating well helps manage your blood glucose levels and your body weight
- exercising helps the insulin work more effectively, lowers your blood pressure and reduces the risk of heart disease
- regular blood glucose monitoring tests

Complications:
heart attack,
stroke,
kidney disease,
limb amputation,
depression,
anxiety and
blindness

Nutrient	Excess or deficiency	Symptoms of the disease
Vitamin A	Deficiency  Excess	<ul> <li>Drying and softening of the cornea, and</li> <li>Blindness</li> <li>Skin may become rough and scaly.</li> <li>Anorexia</li> <li>stunted growth in children</li> <li>limbs may become painful</li> <li>hair loss</li> <li>double vision</li> <li>vomiting</li> </ul>
Vitamin B1	Deficiency	<ul> <li>Depression</li> <li>loss of appetite</li> <li>exhaustion, then muscle wasting,</li> <li>heart failure</li> <li>paralysis and eventually death</li> </ul>
Vitamin C (ascorbic acid)	Deficiency	<ul> <li>Scurvy</li> <li>Weakness</li> <li>Anaemia</li> <li>swollen and inflamed gums</li> <li>loose teeth</li> <li>bones fracturing easily</li> </ul>

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Vitamin D	Deficiency	<ul> <li>In children causes</li> <li>rickets</li> <li>softening and weakening of the bones</li> <li>The bones in the legs and spine may be curved</li> <li>Kidney stones</li> <li>Headaches</li> <li>Nausea</li> <li>diarrhoea</li> </ul>
Vitamin K	Deficiency	Haemorrhage (bleeding)

Nutrient	Deficiency	Symptoms of the disease
Calcium	Deficiency	Osteoporosis (common in older women, especially if they do not exercise)  thin and fragile bones bones break easily
Iodine	Deficiency	<ul><li>Goitre</li><li>Swelling of the thyroid gland in the neck</li><li>Bulging of the eyes</li></ul>
Iron	Deficiency	<ul> <li>Unusual fatigue</li> <li>Breathlessness</li> <li>loss of appetite</li> <li>pale looking</li> <li>fingernails break easily</li> <li>signs of anaemia</li> </ul>