## BE A HERO KNOW THE SIGNS OF TYPE 1 DIABETES



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## ND YOU COULD HELP SAVE A LIFE

TYPE 1 DIABETES IS AN AUTO-IMMUNE CONDITION IN WHICH THE BODY'S OWN IMMUNE SYSTEM ATTACKS THE CELLS IN THE PANCREAS WHICH PRODUCE INSULIN. WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT CAUSES TYPE 1 DIABETES ALTHOUGH IT IS NOT LINKED TO LIFESTYLE FACTORS. THERE IS CURRENTLY NO CURE AND IT CANNOT BE PREVENTED. THERE ARE CURRENTLY AROUND 400,000 PEOPLE LIVING WITH TYPE 1 DIABETES IN THE UK AND APPROXIMATELY 29,000 OF THEM ARE CHILDREN.

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