

Other Injectables

Drug name (generic)	Manufacturer	Comments
Byetta (exenatide)	Amylin Pharmaceuticals and Eli Lilly	Enhances insulin secretion when blood glucose is high, decreases liver's glucose output, and may suppress appetite. Available in 5- and 10-microgram pens. Side effects: nausea and vomiting. Risk of hypoglycemia is increased when administered in combination with a sulfonylurea; therefore, may need to reduce sulfonylurea dose.
Symlin (pramlintide acetate)	Amylin Pharmaceuticals	Helps suppress appetite and lower high blood glucose after meals. Available in 60- and 120-microgram pens. Take before a meal that has at least 250 calories or 30 g or more of carbohydrate. Cannot be mixed with insulin; must be taken as a separate injection. Side effects: nausea and insulin-induced hypoglycemia.