

Supplementary Table 1 Variable extraction in general practice.

Variables	General practice: All adults (≥ 18 years) with a diagnosis of diabetes Jan. 1 st , 2012, to Dec. 31 st , 2014
Characteristics	
Diabetes duration	2014 minus year of diagnosis
Height	If ever registered
Weight	15 months
BMI	15 months
Current smokers	No; if registered as non- smoker. Yes; if registered as current smoker the last 5 years and not changed smoking status
Vascular complications	
Coronary heart disease	If ever registered
Stroke	If ever registered
Retinopathy	If ever registered
PTA/foot ulcer/lower limb amputation	If ever registered
Processes of care	
HbA1c	36 months
Blood pressure	15 months
Lipids	36 months
Creatinine/eGFR	36 months
Medication	
Medication	Prescriptions 36 months

Retinopathy: Non-proliferative and proliferative retinopathy.