

Patients, health care workers call for affordable insulin

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Activists are rallying in Massachusetts, demanding more affordable insulin.

The Boston chapter of the Right Care Alliance is rallying Saturday in Cambridge to call for an end to what the organization calls "insulin profiteering."

The coalition of patients, <u>health care professionals</u> and <u>community</u> <u>members</u> says price increases have made an essential drug unaffordable for many with diabetes and resulted in unnecessary deaths.

Rally organizers say the average cost of insulin in the United States has tripled in the last 10 years, and it costs a person with Type 1 diabetes an average of \$1,000 per month for insulin and supplies.

Speakers include Dr. Michelle Morse, a global health equity expert at the Brigham and Women's Hospital. Attendees also will hear from patients and mothers of children with diabetes.

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