

21 INT. NICU - DAY

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Grace rushes in to see DR LARA SALINGER (40s), looking down at the baby lying in her hospital bed, her monitors beeping. Her numbers dangerously low.

DR SALINGER
Her SATS are dropping. Did we get any medical history?

GRACE
Not enough. I've paged Dr Gadon.

DR SALINGER
Pulse is 190/80. If we don't figure out what's wrong with her...

Grace takes the baby's little hands in hers.

GRACE
What is it jellybean? What's wrong with you? If only you could tell us.

Dr Gadon's in the door.

DR GADON
Jellybean? Thank you Dr Salinger.

He moves over, looking down at the baby, as Salinger retreats.

GRACE
It's what I called my little sister. She was colorful and sweet. Just like a bag of...
(realizing)
Diabetes.

DR GADON
--What?

GRACE
Colorful and Sweet. Jesse said they hadn't eaten since Sudbury... What if she's diabetic.

She goes hunting around a medical cart.

DR GADON
It would explain the symptoms but-- Grace, what are you doing?

GRACE
The blood sugar test you ordered.

She pricks baby's foot, strip in the machine, BEEP. She reads.

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DR GADON

She could go into a coma. Push--

GRACE

Insulin. 20 units. Already on it.

Grace pushes the insulin through the baby's IV line. Her monitors steady, Gadon turns to Grace, a collective relief.


DR GADON

You probably just saved her life.

GRACE

Why didn't Jesse tell us she was diabetic?

END OF ACT ONE



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