



AADE is the leading association for diabetes educators. Through education, advocacy and collaboration, we represent and support passionate professionals who are equipped to serve the whole health of a person with prediabetes, diabetes and related cardiometabolic conditions.

Our members come from many different backgrounds and work in a variety of care settings, yet all are united by one passion: to create optimal health and quality of life for persons with, affected by or at risk for diabetes and related cardiometabolic conditions.



AADE MEMBERS AT A GLANCE



What is a Diabetes Educator?

Diabetes Educators are healthcare professionals who support a holistic, team-based approach to diabetes, prediabetes and cardiometabolic care through individualized management that addresses the physical and behavioral health of an individual.



AADE LEADERSHIP

AADE's volunteer leadership partners with its professional staff to guide and manage the association. Our board of directors is elected from the membership and is responsible for the strategic planning and executive governance of the association. AADE committees, taskforces and liaisons initiate and execute projects that help the association realize its strategic goals.

STATE AND LOCAL AFFILIATES

AADE members interact with other diabetes educators in their area through a system of local networking groups. These groups serve to connect and strengthen the community of diabetes educators within a geographical area.

Each state is represented by a coordinating body that manages state and local activities and maintains a relationship with the National Organization.



AREAS OF FOCUS

AADE is committed to supporting a specialty that works across prediabetes, diabetes and cardiometabolic conditions to connect the health team and offer holistic, accessible and effective care. To accomplish this, we focus our work on several key areas including:

A VISION FOR THE SPECIALTY

We've embarked on a multi-year initiative to position diabetes educators for success within a dynamically changing environment, elevating their role as integrators for clinical management, education, prevention and support. Learn more at DiabetesEducator.org/vision

RESEARCH, GUIDANCE AND PRACTICAL TOOLS

We offer two subscription publications: *The Diabetes Educator*, a journal providing original research that builds the evidence base of the field, and *AADE in Practice*, offering practice-focused application of research and best practices. Additionally, we regularly produce educator and patient-focused resources that highlight an aspect of diabetes care or provide easy-to-understand guidance.

WORKFORCE TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Our numerous continuing education courses give diabetes educators the ability to maintain their credentials, learn from experts in the field, and stay abreast of current advancements. From the Annual Conference and other live events, to our online courses, webinars and contract programs, we offer a diverse array of educational opportunities.

NETWORKING AND COLLABORATION

Through our MY AADE NETWORK platform, AADE members can take advantage of a comprehensive networking infrastructure that allows them to share perspectives, resources and interests. Contacts are made, advice is shared, and patient care is ultimately strengthened.

TYPE 2 DIABETES PREVENTION

AADE has been a leader in building the nation's diabetes prevention infrastructure. Through funding opportunities from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, AADE continues to contribute to the overall sustainability of the National Diabetes Prevention Program through a nationwide network of programs that offer lifestyle change services within their local communities.

ADVOCACY

We are committed to shaping public policy that affects diabetes educators and people living with diabetes, prediabetes and other cardiometabolic conditions. We tackle problematic regulations, further programs and policies that work, and champion initiatives that increase access to diabetes education and supplies.

TECHNOLOGY AGGREGATION, EDUCATION AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Healthcare-related technology is moving at lightning speed. To ensure diabetes educators are positioned as tech consultants and data analyzers within their organizations, AADE has created DANA, an all-encompassing website resource for diabetes technology: Products, education and resources. Learn more at DANAtech.org

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