National Diabetes Policy Forum 2011

Monday 14th November 2011
House of Representatives Alcove, Second Floor
Parliament House, Canberra

Prevention, Prevention, Prevention

Program
OVERALL AIMS

- To contribute to the development of Diabetes Australia’s National Policy Platform 2012-2016, including identifying the priorities for action, the keys to effective implementation and the strategic challenges that must be addressed.
- To enjoy a lively, interactive forum with regular opportunities for questions, comments and discussion.

Facilitator – Julie McCrossin, journalist and broadcaster

FORMAT

A. DIABETES AUSTRALIA DRAFT NATIONAL POLICY PLATFORM

The Draft National Policy Platform will be distributed in advance and will address:

- Preventing diabetes;
- Reducing the risk of diabetes in high risk populations;
- Detecting undiagnosed diabetes; and
- Preventing progression and complications for those living with diabetes.

B. TRIGGER QUESTIONS

Our facilitator will guide an interactive discussion in relation to each of the four topics, with a panel of experts and the audience to explore the following questions:

1. What does the evidence tell us are the 2 or 3 key priorities for action in Australia over the next 5 years in this area? In a nutshell, what needs to be done? Are there examples of good work already being done that can offer lessons to guide our future priorities? Please give brief, specific examples.

2. Is it possible to set measurable goals and to monitor our effectiveness with outcome measures? If yes, what should the priority goals be in this area and how could we monitor the results?

3. What is useful or valuable about the relevant section of Diabetes Australia’s Draft National Policy Platform? Is there anything important missing? Do you have any recommendations for improving the document?

4. Are there any significant gaps in the evidence base that require urgent research? Please be specific.

5. What is necessary to successfully implement good policy? What do we need to do strategically to ensure implementation for individuals and at-risk target groups?

C. SMALL GROUPS

Participants will have the opportunity to discuss the trigger questions in small groups, as well as in plenary sessions, and to complete individual feedback sheets.
REGISTRATION

8:15  Registration, tea & coffee

NB: Please allow time to gain access to the venue unless you already have a security pass

8:45  Take seats, housekeeping & plan for the day – Julie McCrossin, Master of Ceremonies

8:50  Welcome & introduction – Lewis Kaplan, Chief Executive Officer, Diabetes Australia

PLENARY SESSION 1 – WHAT WE KNOW, WHAT WE DON’T KNOW, WHY IT’S NOT WORKING & HOW TO MAKE IT WORK

9:00  REDUCING THE RISK OF DIABETES IN INDIVIDUALS, FAMILY & SOCIETY - interactive panel with audience participation

Ms. Louise Sylvan, Chief Executive Officer, Australian National Preventive Health Agency

Mr. Michael Moore, CEO, Public Health Association of Australian

Ms. Jane Martin, Senior Policy Advisor, Obesity Polity Coalition

10:00  IMPLEMENTATION CHALLENGES, OPPORTUNITIES & STRATEGIES - interactive panel with audience participation

Mr. David Butt, Deputy Secretary, Population Health, Department of Health and Ageing

Prof. Rob Carter, Foundation Director, Deakin Institute for Health Research, Deakin University

Mr. Guy Barnett, Diabetes Australia Ambassador and former Senator for Tasmania

What is necessary to successfully implement good policy? What do we need to do strategically to ensure implementation for individuals and at-risk target groups? What are our key challenges and opportunities over the next 3 - 5 years as we seek to prevent and respond to diabetes?

10:50am Break: Morning Tea

PLENARY SESSION 2 & 3 – SECONDARY PREVENTION FOR THOSE AT HIGH RISK OF DEVELOPING DIABETES AND COMPLICATIONS

11:20  IMPROVING DETECTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION FOR PRE-DIABETES AND EXISTING DIABETES - interactive panel with audience participation

Prof. Stephen Colagiuri, Sydney Diabetes Prevention Program, University of Sydney

Prof. James Dunbar, Director, Greater Green Triangle, Department of Rural Health, Deakin University

Dr. Matt Doogue, Clinical Pharmacologist and Endocrinologist, Flinders University
12:20 MANAGING DIABETES, SLOWING PROGRESSION & PREVENTING COMPLICATIONS - interactive panel with audience participation

Mr. Mick Reid, McKinsey & Co. – Diabetes Care Project
Dr. N Wah Cheung, President, Australian Diabetes Society
Prof. Jane Speight, Foundation Director, Australian Centre for Behavioural Research in Diabetes

1:00pm Break: Lunch

PLENARY SESSION 3 – WHERE TO FROM HERE?
1:45 KEY QUESTIONS – small groups chaired by facilitators
1. Ms. Carol Mackey, Director, Diabetes Australia Board
2. Mr. Gordon Melsom, Director, Diabetes Australia Board
3. Ms. Patricia McKenzie, Independent President, Diabetes Australia
4. Ms. Nuala Harkin, National President, Australian Diabetes Educators Association

There will be four groups. Your group number is on your name badge. Please stay in your allocated group which has been determined with careful consideration. In addition, individual feedback sheets will provide the opportunity for all participants to offer comments on all the trigger questions for the forum.

Key questions:

1. What is useful or valuable about Diabetes Australia’s Draft National Policy Platform? Is there anything important missing? Do you have any recommendations for improving the document?
2. Is there any other significant issue you’d like to raise for discussion?

2:45 KEY ISSUES, USEFUL IDEAS & NEXT STEPS – plenary discussion

Plenary discussion facilitated by Julie McCrossin. Please note: There will be no group feedback from the small groups. Instead, as many individual participants as possible will answer the following questions:

1. What are the most useful issues, ideas and recommendations you’ve heard today?
2. Is there any other significant issue you’d like to raise for discussion?

3:45 Evaluation & feedback sheets
3:55 Thank you & farewell – Lewis Kaplan, Chief Executive Officer, Diabetes Australia
4:00 Close & afternoon tea

4:30pm: Post forum de-brief and drinks

Location: Ostani Lounge, Bar & Restaurant, Hotel Realm, 18 National Circuit, Barton ACT