

DPAC Newsletter

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Welcome to the first issue of DPAC in the News!

As part of our efforts to keep communication current and “fresh” regarding our members, the Communications And Public Awareness (CPA) Team will provide highlights in a newsletter, while the DPAC website is under Construction. If you have an idea, want support from the CPA Team, or just have thoughts on DPAC, let us know! Thanks in advance for all your efforts to make a difference in the lives of people with diabetes in Michigan!

Kristi, Art, Roni, Ann, Jean, Jose, Judith, and Leslie

- The Communication and Public Awareness Team

Highlights from the workgroups

Communication and Public Awareness

DPAC Website Redesign: Members are working to revamp the DPAC website with an estimated “Go Live” date of mid-September. Stay tuned for updates on this site, which will provide a one-stop shop for all your DPAC information needs.

Diabetes Facts Presentation:

Developed a “Diabetes Facts” presentation to support data already created for DPAC membership. Forwarded to DaRE Team for review to incorporate with other information on diabetes epidemic. Final presentation will be posted on the new and improved DPAC website!

Advocacy and Policy

Standards of Care Proposal: Provided information to the Governor’s office on Diabetes (minimum for diabetes coverage) – Michigan First Plan.

Self-Management Programs: Sally Joy is working on a letter to promote the use of diabetes self-management Programs to physicians in the state.

DaRE (Data and Research, Evaluation)

Diabetes in Michigan Update: Reviewing data to post final presentation for membership to use.

Diabetes coverage and Services Detail:

Consolidating information from Medicare, Medicaid, and CSHCS (Children’s Special Health and Community Services) to put together a summary of coverage’s.

Member Survey: Request from membership Committee to support. Waiting on details for action plan.

Welcome Newest DaRE Workgroup Members

Berhane Seyoum (Wayne State University)

Kelli Pickett (Priority Health)

Lori Corteville (MDCH)

SAVE THE DATE!

Full Member Meeting

Wednesday, October 24

