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## Message from the CBDCE Chair



**Benjamin Klein  
Public Member  
2021 CBDCE Chair**

Dear CDCES Community,

With the holidays and New Year rapidly approaching, the CBDCE leadership wishes to express our gratitude for your continued efforts in helping improve the lives of those living with diabetes.

Despite all the obstacles that the recent years have thrown at our diabetes community, we continue to see newly certified CDCESs passing the exam each month!

During the last update, we provided you with insights into several key initiatives, including our Scholarship Program, Mentor Spotlight Award Program, and our collaboration with our friends at the College Diabetes Network. Since then, the Board of Directors has outlined additional strategic priorities that will continue to come to the forefront of our efforts as we transition into the New Year, including the launch of Live Remote Proctoring coming in January 2022! See information below.

Much of that focus will continue to be on how CBDCE in its role as a certifying body can support improvements related to Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility within the diabetes care and education community, as well as how we can continue to grow the number of CDCES-credentialed individuals to meet the market demand of high-quality diabetes care and education.

This newsletter also serves as my last opportunity to address the CDCES community before we transition oversight of the Board of Directors to my incredibly qualified colleague, Becky Sulik, RDN, LD, CDCES. Becky has been an invaluable asset to myself and to CBDCE, and

I'm excited to witness her expert leadership in action in 2022!

It has been an honor serving as CBDCE Chair. The passion for improving the lives of those living with diabetes is clear with each interaction I have with you all.

I couldn't be prouder of the work that you are doing every day!

Happy Holidays,

Ben Klein

## Late Renewals Window Extended



**2021 CDCES Renewals**  
Online renewal by CE late window EXTENDED!

**Deadline:**  
December 31, 2021

The CBDCE Board has extended the Late Renewal Window deadline from December 15, 2021 to December 31, 2021. This will give CDCESs an additional few weeks to earn any needed continuing education (CE) to meet the renewal requirement and place their renewal by CE application online through their CDCES portal. The Grace Period Option will open from January 1 – March 31, 2022 and requires paper application, CE support documents, and increased fee. Reminder that all CE for 2021 renewals need to be earned by 12/31/2021. Renew today! Please sign in to your [CDCES portal](#) to place your renewal application.

Renew  
Today

## Congratulations! Newly Certified CDCESs



*Congratulations!*  
Newly Certified  
CDCESs

Welcome to the CDCES community! Congratulations to the 206 newly certified CDCESs [who passed the exam from September through November 2021](#).

There are [many resources available](#) to you as a new CDCES. The credential represents a significant professional achievement. We hope you're proud of your CDCES credential and the important work you do to help people with diabetes.

Newly Certified  
List

## Important Announcements

Coming soon! Live Remote Proctoring (LRP) will be available for the CDCES exam in January 2022! Candidates will have the convenience and flexibility of taking the CDCES exam by either testing at a PSI Test Center or by Live Remote Proctoring. Check out the [information guide](#) to LRP.



[Learn More](#)



The Expanding Access to Diabetes Self-Management Training Act has been introduced in the House! H.R. 5804 was introduced by Representative Kim Schrier, MD (D-WA-8th) and 7 members of the Congressional Diabetes Caucus. Here is a press release from Rep. Schrier. The Senate version of this legislation (S. 2203) was introduced this past June by Senators Shaheen (D-NH) and Collins (R-ME), along with 8 original co-sponsors.

**If enacted, this legislation would:**

- Allow the initial 10 hours of DSMT to remain available until fully used.
- Permit DSMT and Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT) services to be provided on the same day.
- Exclude DSMT services from Part B cost-sharing and deductible requirements.
- Permit physicians and qualified nonphysician practitioners (e.g., podiatrists, emergency department providers, physician assistants, nurse practitioners or clinical nurse specialists) working in coordination with a treating physician or qualified nonphysician to refer for DSMT services.
- Establish a Center for Medicare Innovation demonstration program to test the impact of covering virtual DSMT under the Medicare program. We encourage you to take action and share with your patients with diabetes. Take action below by visiting the ADCES Legislative Action Center.

[Take Action Now](#)



Promote your CDCES credential! CBDCE grants you permission to use the CDCES logo as long as your certification remains valid. You can:

- Use CDCES behind your name on your email signature, business cards, and social media profiles
- Display the CDCES certificate in your workplace and
- Add the CDCES logo to promotional materials.

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## CDCES Certificant Spotlight

**Meet Jane Kadohiro, DrPH, APRN, CDCES, FADCES**



[Susan Hall.](#)

Having the added credential meant I knew I was part of something very special and the care and education I provided was of the gold standard and progressive care that people with diabetes deserved. Becoming certified was a step up from what other diabetes educators (now known as diabetes care and education specialists) were doing, and not only have I never regretted my decision, but the decision has accelerated my career and my personal life!

*Each newsletter we spotlight a CDCES to acknowledge the work they do. Interested in being featured in a future CDCES story? Contact*

[Read Jane's Story](#)

## Q & A Corner

### Q & A Corner: Continuing Education



**Q:** Is there a practice requirement for CDCES recertification?

**A:** As part of the renewal application (either exam or continuing education option), all CDCESs must accrue 1,000 hours of professional practice experience during the five year period that the CDCES credential is valid. For purposes of renewal of certification, practice means providing a direct or indirect professional contribution to the care and self-management education of people with diabetes. What is Included in this Definition? This definition is intended to be as inclusive as possible of positions currently held by CDCESs, including program development, program management, public

health/community surveillance, volunteer activities, diabetes-related research, clinical roles in diabetes industry, case management, professional education, consultant roles to industry or other providers, or others.

## CDCES Resources Available



### Are you Listed in the CDCES Directory?

It's important that people with diabetes and health care providers can locate you in the Locate a CDCES directory. This is an excellent way to promote what you do! Set up your public profile listing in the CDCES portal so you can be listed in the [Locate a CDCES Directory](#). Once you've activated your account on the website, you'll sign in to the portal and set up your public directory listing that includes information about you and your practice.

[Get Listed  
Now](#)

# Need CDCES Gear?



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Gear at the Online Shop.  
[www.cbdce.org](http://www.cbdce.org)

Shop  
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## Video: The Benefits of Becoming a CDCES

Please share this video on the value and eligibility requirements of **becoming a CDCES** with your peers or anyone interested in learning more about the credential!

Share Video



## Video: People with Diabetes and CDCESs

Check out the CBDCE/CDN video with a few young individuals from The College Diabetes Network sharing their personal experience on the value of seeing a CDCES and how a CDCES helps manage their diabetes. We appreciate all CDCESs who care and support people with diabetes.

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