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Message from the CBDCE Chair



**Benjamin Klein
Public Member
2021 CBDCE Chair**

Dear CDCES Community,

As we transition into fall, we're excited to update you on many of the great initiatives that are occurring within our community. In our last newsletter, we proudly announced the official launch of our CBDCE Scholarship Program – an initiative aimed at encouraging diversity in the pool of health professionals holding the CDCES credential. Our primary areas of focus are Diversity & Inclusion, Profession Expansion, Veterans & Active Military Service, Young Professionals, and those working with Under-Resourced Populations. After an overwhelming response, we're humbled to announce that we have officially awarded 86 scholarships for the 2021 application cycle!

In addition to our inaugural scholarship program, we're excited to announce both the 2020 and 2021 Mentor Spotlight Award recipients. This award recognized a practicing CDCES who has participated in the CBDCE Mentorship Program and has demonstrated outstanding mentorship to those mentees interested in sitting for the CDCES exam.

We'd like to congratulate Ann Marie Hasse RN, CDCES (NY) and Deborah Redd RN, CDCES, CPT (IL) for achieving the awards, and thank them for their dedication to supporting our mentees.

As you can see, CBDCE has a strong focus on increasing both the number and diversity of CDCES within the diabetes community. Our collaboration with the College Diabetes Network continues in 2021 with our support of their NextGen Fellowship program and an upcoming program: *From A to Gen Z: What you need to know about*

the next generation of diabetes patients, designed to strengthen the patient-provider relationship for young adults living with diabetes. Keep your eyes open for more information on that program as plans are finalized.

With just a few months left in the year, we encourage those who are up for renewal to apply as soon as possible. For those renewing through the continuing education and practice pathway, we're now in the extended window that runs through October 15, 2021. If you won't be ready for that window, review this newsletter for information on additional windows that are available.

If you have questions or suggestions on CBDCE initiatives, please reach out to us directly at 847.228.9795 or info@cbdce.org. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I thank you for your continued efforts in improving the lives of people living with diabetes.

Stay Safe & Healthy,

Ben Klein

2021 Renewals Extended Window

The online renewal by CE extended application window is open through October 15, 2021. Additional windows to renew your CDCES credential are available after October 15, however the renewal fees do increase. We encourage you to renew today! Please sign in to your [CDCES portal](#) to get prepared for renewal. Do you have questions regarding the certification renewal process? Please visit the [FAQ renewal section](#) in the CDCES portal.



2021 CDCES Renewal Deadline Windows & Fees:

Extended Deadline:	Sep. 16 - Oct. 15	\$300
Late Deadline:	Oct. 16 - Dec. 15	\$400
Grace Period:	Dec. 16 - Mar. 31, 2022	\$500

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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 June through August 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



Scholarship Program: A Big Success

As the responses to the call for scholarship applications were significantly more than expected, coupled with a sincere need for the program, the CBDCE Board of Directors chose to award more than the originally planned number of scholarships in its first year. For 2021, [86 scholarships](#) covering the costs of taking the CDCES practice and certification examinations, (value of over \$400 for recipients) were awarded. Next year's program will open in first quarter of 2022. Be sure to pass it along to your peers!

[Scholarship Recipients](#)



ADCES & CBDCE Fellowship Award

The Association of Diabetes Care & Education Specialists Foundation and the Certification Board for Diabetes Care and Education are proud to award Kelsey Howard, Ph.D., a one-year fellowship in integrated diabetes management. Howard will develop and pilot test an intervention to help adolescents and parents address concerns about Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM) use. Congratulations to Kelsey!

[Learn More](#)



35 years of Diabetes Care & Education

CBDCE is celebrating 35 years of diabetes care and education in 2021. Since it was first awarded in 1986, the CDCES credential has become a standard of excellence for the delivery of quality diabetes education. As the certification board reflects on the accomplishments of the past 35 years, the organization's leadership and staff stay focused on the future. Read the full article below (and be sure to watch the videos) on how the CDCES credential has evolved in the past 35 years.

[Read Article](#)

CDCES Certificant Spotlight

Meet Elba Lopez MEd, RDN, CDCES, BC-ADM

Recently during the pandemic, I had some months without income because of the limitations related to COVID-19. The CDCES opened the door for me to work remotely where I can help people with diabetes improve their knowledge in DSME and achieve their health goals.



Each newsletter we spotlight a CDCES to acknowledge the work they do. If you are interested in being featured in a future CDCES story, contact [Susan Hall](#).

[Read Elba's Story](#)

Q & A Corner

Q & A Corner: Continuing Education



Q: Is it possible to have my credential extended if I do not renew it prior to expiration?

A: If your credential is not renewed prior to expiration, it will expire December 31. Extensions of certification are not granted. Any individual whose credential expires must pass the Certification Exam for Diabetes Care and Education Specialists to regain the credential (as well as document either meeting the renewal practice requirement or minimum acceptable continuing education hours).

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!](#)

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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!

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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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