



National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators

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Jasmine D. Gonzalvo, PharmD Named Chair of the National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators

(Arlington Heights, IL – December 2019) – The National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators (NCBDE) announces that Jasmine D. Gonzalvo, PharmD, BCPS, BC-ADM, CDE®, LDE, Clinical Associate Professor/Clinical Pharmacy Specialist, Purdue University/Eskenazi Health will serve as Chair of the organization in 2020.

As Chair, Dr. Gonzalvo will lead the organization during an important time in its history. The organization's overall focus remains that of providing oversight of an accredited certification program for the health professional who provides comprehensive and ongoing quality diabetes care and education, resulting in the designation of Certified Diabetes Educator® (CDE®).

However, in 2020, NCBDE is making a transition to a new name, Certification Board for Diabetes Care and Education (CBDCE), and will be moving forward with a title change for the certification designation from CDE® to Certified Diabetes Care and Education Specialist (CDCES).

“This is an incredibly exciting time for the Organization. CDEs have worked hard for over three decades to create an impressive reputation in myriad settings. Now, we have a significant opportunity to demonstrate the value, credibility, and expertise of Certified Diabetes Care and Education Specialists (CDCES). I’m looking forward to see how the organization continues to evolve to best support individuals caring for people with or at risk for diabetes over the coming years,” said Dr. Gonzalvo.

“Jasmine brings an incredible wealth of experience in diabetes care and education to the role of Chair, as well as having an extensive background in organizational leadership. Her leadership skills, commitment to excellence, and passion will be driving forces in supporting the efforts of the organization as it moves forward with the changes to the new certification designation,

Certified Diabetes Care and Education Specialist or CDCES, and the name of the organization itself,” said NCBDE’s Chief Executive Officer Sheryl Traficano, MBA, CAE.

Dr. Gonzalvo’s experience is in direct patient care, state and federal advocacy, teaching, and survey-based research. Her clinical practice for Eskenazi Health in Indianapolis, IN involves the provision of pharmacist-managed Cardiovascular Risk Reduction services operating under a collaborative practice agreement in a population with serious mental illness and for those who primarily speak Spanish. Dr. Gonzalvo’s research interests and publications relate to cardiovascular risk reduction in individuals with serious mental illness, integration of the Spanish language into both her practice and academic settings, and diabetes self-management education and services in the pharmacy setting. She served on the Board of Directors for the American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE) from 2015 through 2017. In 2018, she was appointed as one of 12 non-federal members to the National Clinical Care Commission, which operates under the Secretary for Health and Human Services.

About NCBDE: NCBDE, to be renamed the Certification Board for Diabetes Care and Education (CBDCE) in 2020, is a national not-for-profit certification organization that awards the Certified Diabetes Educator® (CDE®) credential. The CDE® credential is also transitioning in 2020 to Certified Diabetes Care and Education Specialist (CDCES). The CDE® program is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) and over 19,700 health professionals hold the CDE® credential.

NCBDE was established in 1986 to develop and administer a certification program for health professionals who facilitate people in acquiring the knowledge, skill, and ability necessary for prediabetes and diabetes self-care, as well as activities that assist a person in implementing and sustaining the health practices needed to manage the condition on an ongoing basis, beyond or outside of formal self-management training. NCBDE’s mission is to promote comprehensive and ongoing quality diabetes clinical management, education, prevention and support by defining, developing, maintaining, and protecting the certification and credentialing processes. NCBDE supports the concept of voluntary, periodic certification for all health professionals who meet credential and experience eligibility requirements. Please visit the website at www.ncbde.org.

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