

National Association of
Chronic Disease Directors

WORKGROUP OPPORTUNITIES

For Diabetes Council Members



Diabetes Council Workgroups provide professional development opportunities for all State Health Department diabetes staff (also known as Diabetes Council Members) to excel in their roles. With support from NACDD and CDC, the Workgroups develop webinars, workshops, scholarship opportunities, and more to support State diabetes programs' capacity and Members' professional goals. The Council has two Workgroups:

The **Mentoring Workgroup** oversees the [Peg Adams Peer-to-Peer Program](#) which matches Guides and Learners in a program designed to welcome new state staff into our community to share experiences, receive input, and support from others. The group also supports the development of Workplan Clinics and other learning opportunities.

The **Professional Development Workgroup** offers a unique opportunity to influence and support all States in their CDC-funded diabetes work. This group plans and hosts Diabetes Council webinars, facilitates conference scholarships, and promotes other professional development opportunities.

"The **Mentoring Workgroup** helps connect experienced staff with new staff and creates skill-building and networking opportunities for both. It is rewarding getting to know people from around the country who do the same thing as you and hear about a lot of fresh ideas."



Pam Geis
Wisconsin Division of
Public Health
2022 Mentoring
Workgroup Co-Chair



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BENEFITS at a Glance

- ✓ Influence activities and priorities that benefit all Diabetes Council Members
- ✓ Gain experience working at a national level
- ✓ Connect with peers, strengthen leadership skills, and expand your view of national diabetes efforts

4 Run for a Leadership Group Position

3 Join a Diabetes Council Workgroup

2 Participate in the Peg Adams Peer-to-Peer Program

1 Attend Diabetes Council Webinars or Workshops

Steps to
National
Leadership
Opportunities
with the
Diabetes
Council

JOIN A WORKGROUP

Workgroup participation is open to any Diabetes Council Member who wishes to participate. New Members typically join workgroups at the beginning of the calendar year. Each group meets virtually about once per month.

Each Workgroup is led by two Co-Chairs. Workgroup Co-Chairs are elected by Diabetes Council Members to serve two-year terms on the [Diabetes Council Leadership Group](#).

To join these dynamic workgroups, email nacdd.diabetes@chronicdisease.org.

"I really enjoy serving on the **Professional Development Workgroup**. The group shares updates on available training needs and the newest diabetes resources, along with firsthand updates from CDC. In addition, the workgroup awards scholarships to attend diabetes related conferences and trainings for continuing education. This is one of the few groups that is not only beneficial to my role as a diabetes coordinator but is also fun!"



Liz Curry, MS, RD, LD
Ohio Department of Health
2022 Chair Elect of the
Diabetes Council Leadership Group

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