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Oregon Diabetes Coalition Quarterly Newsletter

The Oregon Diabetes Coalition Quarterly Newsletter is designed to keep partners and others working in the field of diabetes informed about resources, activities, and opportunities in a collective effort to improve the health and quality of life of Oregonians affected by diabetes.



Newsletter Features

American Diabetes Association

Summit to Surf: 12th Annual Ride July 28, 2007

It's time for the Summit to Surf/Tour de Cure, which occurs Saturday, July 28th. With a ride for every skill level, Summit to Surf offers beautiful scenery in the Mt. Hood area from Welches to Hood River. Routes include a 10-mile family ride, 36/48/56/60 mile rides, or the challenging Fire & Ice 100 mile ride. All rides are fully supported. Kids receive T-shirts, special prizes and enjoy fun activities. Riders raising \$250 or more are eligible for prizes provided by Columbia Sportswear, Nautilus Inc., and the American Diabetes Association. Volunteers are also needed to provide support at Rowena Crest and to help in other capacities day of the event. Join us and help support the services the American Diabetes Association offers. For more information visit www.SummitToSurf.org or call Kris Bockmier at 1(888) 342-2383 ext. 7355 or e-mail kbockmier@diabetes.org.

National Diabetes Education Program

Updated! Working Together to Manage Diabetes: A Guide for Pharmacists, Podiatrists, Optometrists, and Dental Professionals

Several revised products for [health care professionals](#) are now available from NDEP! [Working Together to Manage Diabetes: A Guide for Pharmacists, Podiatrists, Optometrists, and Dental Professionals](#) is an interdisciplinary primer that focuses on diabetes-related conditions affecting the foot, eye, and mouth, as well as the issues related to drug therapy management. The primer has been revised to include the latest statistics; a new section on primary diabetes prevention that outlines results from the [Diabetes Prevention Program study](#); and the role pharmacy, podiatry, optometry, and dental professionals can play to prevent diabetes in those at risk. The primer also includes [clinical images](#) that highlight common conditions affecting foot, eye, and oral health as well as the role of pharmacy in diabetes management.

A companion piece, [Diabetes Medications Supplement](#) provides a "snapshot" profile of diabetes medications, insulin medications, and medications for controlling glycemia, high blood cholesterol, and blood pressure. Revised patient education posters, available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#), can be used by health care professionals in exam or waiting rooms to help educate patients on specific steps they can take in collaboration with their pharmacists, eye, foot, and dental care professionals to control diabetes.

These publications can be downloaded from the [NDEP website](#) and hard copies will be available for order soon through the [National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse](#).

Continuing education (CE) credit for health care professionals will soon be available for reading [Working Together to Manage Diabetes: A Guide for Pharmacy, Podiatry, Optometry, and Dental Professionals](#) and its [English poster](#).

Stay tuned to www.cdc.gov/diabetes/ndep/continuing_education.htm for updates on obtaining CE credits. The site will be activated when credits are available. Optometry credits will also be available through the [American Optometric Association](#).

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(2) DHS, Public Health Division, Oregon Diabetes Program – Research Analyst 3:

<http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/jobs/LEHS7325A.shtml>

(3) DHS, Public Health Division, Oregon Physical Activity and Nutrition Program - Program Technician 2, Limited Duration, Fruit & Vegetable Specialist: <http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/jobs/LEHS7427.shtml>

Coalition News

(1) Childhood Diabetes Database

The Childhood Diabetes Database is beginning operations! State law now requires schools and physicians to report cases of type 1 and type 2 diabetes in children 18 years or younger. It is hoped that this information will help determine the prevalence and incidence of diabetes in Oregon children, as well as increase research opportunities.

Pilot projects were conducted this spring in four school districts to help test the school reporting process. Cooperation and consultation from both the Oregon School Nurses Association and the Department of Education has helped spread the word and the initial response has been very positive. Statewide school reporting is starting with the upcoming 2007-2008 school year. Implementation of the provider reporting process is underway. We anticipate contacting providers throughout the state in September to initiate full provider implementation of the database project.

The other good news is that the legislature continued funding the database for the 2007-2009 biennium. We are seeking help to market the program. Please let us know if you are willing to share information about the database project. You may contact us by email at childhood.diabetes-database@state.or.us. General information, reporting forms, the law, rules, etc. are available on the diabetes website at www.healthoregon.org/diabetes click on Reporting of Diabetes in Children under the Childhood Diabetes Database Section. Forms and information are currently being translated into Spanish, Russian, Vietnamese and Chinese and will be added to the website when available. If you have questions or need further information you may contact Kam Delaney or Richard Leman at 971-673-0984.

(2) Study finds staggering cost of treating diabetes

NEW YORK (Reuters) - One out of every eight U.S. federal health care dollars is spent treating people with diabetes, a study found, and advocates are calling for the creation of a government post to oversee coordination of spending on treatment and prevention among federal agencies. See attached PDF document for full article.

(3) State of diabetes complications in America: A Comprehensive Report Issued by the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists

For full report, see http://harrisschool.uchicago.edu/News/press-releases/media/Diabetes%20Complications%20Report_FINAL.PDF.

For website, see <http://www.stateofdiabetes.com/>

(4) TEDDY Study Seeks Help of ODC; Urgent Search Underway for Expecting Families with a Mom or Dad with Type 1 Diabetes

TEDDY, The Environmental Determinants of Diabetes in the Young, is urgently seeking Oregon State families with a mom or dad with Type 1 Diabetes who are expecting another child. Families with diabetes and with a newborn under 4 months of age are also eligible.

TEDDY is a National Institutes of Health Study aiming to identify environmental exposures that trigger Type 1 Diabetes in those with genetic predisposition. The study is currently screening newborns for increased diabetes risk. Those at increased risk will be invited to enroll in a follow-up study of diet, infections, allergies, and similar exposures during childhood. The study will provide quarterly measurement of islet autoantibodies as part of the follow-up.

The Washington TEDDY Study, headquartered at Seattle's Pacific Northwest Research Institute, would be delighted to provide ODC members and associates brochures and literature for patients. Please contact Washington TEDDY Clinic Coordinator, Judy Ewings at (206) 568-1491, 1-888-324-2140, or jewings@pnri.org, for brochures or more info. Please see website at www.teddystudy.org.

(5) Emerging research: Gum Disease and Nephropathy/End-state Renal Disease. See <http://care.diabetesjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/30/2/306> for full article from *Diabetes Care*. Conclusion: Periodontitis predicts development of overt nephropathy and ESRD in individuals with type 2 diabetes. Whether treatment of periodontitis will reduce the risk of diabetic kidney disease remains to be determined.

Emerging research: Gum Disease and Cardiovascular Disease. See <http://content.nejm.org/cgi/content/short/356/9/911> for full article from the *New England Journal of Medicine*. Conclusion: Intensive periodontal treatment resulted in acute, short-term systemic inflammation and endothelial dysfunction. However, 6 months after therapy, the benefits in oral health were associated with improvement in endothelial function.

(6) **The Genetics of Diabetes – The Basics, What’s New, and Where to Get More Information...** There have been several news stories lately about recent scientific discoveries on the genetics of diabetes. To learn more about how this research may impact your work in diabetes, read on....

Genetics and Diabetes – The Basics: Diabetes, like other common diseases such as cancer or heart disease, is caused by a combination of genetic and other factors such as diet and exercise patterns. Both genes and lifestyles are shared in families; this is why someone with a family member with diabetes is at higher risk of developing diabetes themselves. Currently, even if a person has a family history of diabetes, there is not a test that can determine their chance of developing diabetes based on their genetic makeup. But, this type of testing may be possible in the future.

What’s New - Diabetes Genetics Discoveries: Recently, scientists from one of the largest genome studies discovered several genetic variations associated with an increased risk of developing Type 2 diabetes (published April 25, 2007 online in *Science*). In the next 5-10 years, these findings could lead to the development of a test that looks for these kinds of genetic changes. Beyond just reviewing a family history, this type of genetic screening panel would allow health care providers to identify their high-risk patients and strongly encourage these patients to adopt healthy lifestyles to reduce their chance of developing diabetes. Scientists also hope that by learning more about genetic changes associated with an increased risk for diabetes, new prevention and treatment therapies can be developed.

Where to Get More Information: For updates on new discoveries on the genetics of diabetes see: Oregon Genetics Program (www.oregongenetics.org and [http://www.oregongenetics.blogspot.com/](http://www.oregongenetics.blogspot.com) April 27th blog entry), Center’s for Disease Control National Office of Public Health Genomics Weekly Update (<http://www.cdc.gov/genomics/update/current.htm>), and the National Human Genome Research Institute (<http://www.genome.gov/>).

(7) Multnomah County Diabetes Coalition Update: The MCDC came together “To improve the health of all people in Multnomah County with a special emphasis on diabetes through policy, awareness, prevention and treatment that is culturally appropriate and accessible.” Volunteers and representatives from a variety of health and social service organizations meet once a month to exchange information and coordinate efforts.

Currently, the MCDC is focused on two projects: 1) an assessment of diabetes-related prevention, clinical and social services in the Portland Metropolitan Area 2) using a community-based participatory approach, an assessment of the knowledge, attitudes and beliefs of type 2 diabetes prevention and treatment, and awareness of diabetes-related services available in the Latino and Chinese communities in Multnomah and Washington counties in Oregon.

Recently obtained data from Project #1 has provided the Coalition with valuable information that will be used to create an electronic resource guide for health professionals. Project #2 will follow with the creation and evaluation of a culturally and linguistically appropriate diabetes education and resource guide for members of the target communities.

If you are interested in becoming involved with the MCDC, please contact Bernardine Delaney at bdelaney@pdx.edu. The next meeting for the Coalition is Tuesday, July 24th from 8:30-11am at the Asian Health and Service Center (3633 SE 35th Place, Portland). For additional information about the Coalition, please see attached flyer.

(8) Chronic Disease Self-Management Programs are Available in Many Counties!

Living Well with Chronic Conditions, also known as the Stanford Chronic Disease Self-Management Program, is a 6-week evidence-based workshop that teaches practical skills for living with a chronic condition. It is designed to complement and support diabetes self-management education, and builds self-confidence for managing health, staying active and enjoying life. The program is available in many areas of Oregon; for an up-to-date list of upcoming workshops and leader training opportunities, please visit <http://oregon.gov/DHS/ph/livingwell/docs/workshoplist.pdf>.

(9) ODC Media Campaign in the Works!!

The American Diabetes Association (ADA) and the Oregon Diabetes Program (ODP) are working together to plan a media campaign beginning early Winter, leading up to the ADA Diabetes EXPO (<http://www.diabetes.org/communityprograms-and-localevents/diabetesexpo.jsp>) on February 23, 2008. As Coalition partners we have begun to work with a local Spanish television station, Univision Portland (KUNP-TV) (<http://www.univision.net/corp/es/index.jsp>), and are in the process of brainstorming ideas for the campaign. The plan includes utilization of television public service announcements available through the ADA (<http://www.diabetes.org/for-media/public-service-announcements.jsp>) and the National Diabetes Education Program (<http://ndep.nih.gov/campaigns/tools.htm>). An outcome of the campaign is to increase attendance at the ADA Diabetes EXPO.

We need your help!

Avenues for Partnership include development of the television campaign, how to diversify distribution of the message (i.e. inclusion of radio and print sites), as well as options for financially supporting the campaign for a broader reach.

- Are you interested in partnering with ADA and ODP on this media campaign? If so, how can we work together?
- Do you have ideas for the television campaign?
- Do you have ideas about how we can diversify the campaign, by possibly adding other media outlets such as print or radio?

If so and you would like to help make an impact in the Latino community or other communities disproportionately affected by diabetes, contact Carrie Washburn at carrie.l.washburn@state.or.us or 971-673-0984.

ODC Workgroup Updates

(1) Access to Diabetes Data

The Coalition Access to Data Workgroup will be meeting in late summer to refine plans for the ODC *Oregon Progress Report on Diabetes*. Members are currently working to obtain data about diabetes-related clinical services from several different health care organizations. This information will be included in the *Progress Report*, which will be published this fall.

If you are interested in becoming involved with this Workgroup, please contact Richard Leman at richard.f.leman@state.or.us.

(2) Awareness & Education

The Oregon Diabetes Coalition's Awareness and Education Workgroup is meeting regularly with Jeanne McGee and Mark Evers of McGee and Evers Consulting, Inc. to create low literacy diabetes-related educational materials. The materials will be available through a DHS Chronic Disease Resource Bank web site for reproduction by health care providers as teaching tools for their patients.

It's been fun and educational for the committee members to work on this project. The committee members have informed content, design, and implementation of a much-needed resource. We've learned about the process of creating such tools as well. Simple is hard! Look for these materials on the Oregon Diabetes Program website, www.healthoregon.org/diabetes, this coming Fall/Winter.

Next up? This is your opportunity to join us in shaping our upcoming activities. We're in the process of deciding on a new project for the upcoming months. As committee members, we'd like to be of equal value for an equally valuable project. Call Carrie Washburn at carrie.l.washburn@state.or.us to arrange to join us at our next meeting.

(3) Policy & Advocacy

Legislative Update: Wins & Losses for 2007 Session

The 2007 session closed in June with success for issues addressing childhood obesity and prevention of diabetes as well as a few set backs for polices related to diabetes research and management. Results include:

Successes: **House Bill 3486** directs the Department of Human Services to develop a strategic plan to address diabetes and obesity by the 2009 session. This bill was signed into law by Governor Kulongoski on June 18th. **House Bill 2650** the "Healthy Foods for Healthy Students" Nutrition Bill was signed into law on June 20th. Congratulations to the Oregon Nutrition Policy Alliance and Nancy Becker, MS, RD, LD who led the efforts to implement nutrition standards that affect snacks and beverages sold in vending machines, student stores and ala carte. Oregon now joins 22 other states that have addressed such issues and ranks within the top three for the depth of nutrition standards that will be implemented. **Senate Bills 370, 360 & 372** PE Bills became part of the overall budget package for the Oregon Department of Education – HB3141. HB3141 included establishing minimum minutes for grades K-8, provision of assessment tools and evaluation of physical education as well as implementation of a grant program to assist in hiring PE specialists where needed. Both the House and Senate passed HB3141. HB3141 currently awaits signatures from the President of the Senate and Governor Kulongoski. Passage of both the nutrition and PE bills take a significant step towards impacting the prevalence of childhood obesity and thus the prevention of diabetes in Oregon.

Set Backs: **House Bill 2801** which sought to establish a Human Stem Cell Research Committee and a grant fund was referred from the full Ways and Means Committee to the House Elections, Ethics & Rules Committee. HB2801 remained within this committee until the close of the session. At issue was the inclusion of an amendment removing reference to therapeutic cloning. **House Bill 5031** sought to cut 1.6 million from the health services budget that included reimbursement of durable medical equipment. \$200,000 was allocated back for DME coverage. This issue is still under consideration and will be brought before the legislative Emergency Board when it convenes in September.

To stay aware of current action alerts whether local or federal, become a Diabetes Advocate. Sign up today at <http://advocacy.diabetes.org>. If you would like to join the Coalition's Policy Group, e-mail Bev Bromfield, Program Mgr, American Diabetes Association at bbromfield@diabetes.org.

(4) Quality Health Systems

The Quality Health Systems Workgroup has been working with members of the Awareness and Education Workgroup to update the Coalition's wallet-sized Diabetes Care Cards, a tool that is helpful for people with diabetes, their provider, and for the diabetes educator. This project will be wrapped up by the end of the summer, so if you'd like to get involved, now is the time! The other task in the Workgroup involves Electronic Health Records (EHRs) and how clinics and health plans use them to identify patients and ensure appropriate care. This is an exciting area of medical care will address care management and best practices. Please contact Brad Hall at bhall@acumentra.org for more information.

Resources

(1) A Focus on Trauma as it Relates to Diabetes Care

For the millions of Americans diagnosed with type 2 diabetes, diabetes care is challenging and requires constant monitoring. But for Cambodians Americans, and other traumatized, refugee groups, diabetes management requires systematically addressing new challenges.

In August 2006, the National Diabetes Education Program (www.ndep.nih.org) published *Silent Trauma: Diabetes, Health Status and the Refugee*. The monograph is the first publication to describe the impact of diabetes among Southeast Asian refugees in the context of culture, historical trauma, and logistic barriers. It offers resources and recommendations for health care providers, mental health professionals, public health leaders, and organizations serving this population.

Many publications support the dynamic needs of Southeast Asian refugees. In Massachusetts, Cambodians Americans die from diabetes at a rate six times¹ more than the overall population and have the second highest stroke rate in the United States². Another recent study confirms that approximately 62%³ of Cambodians suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder, which is intrinsically rooted in experiences during the Pol Pot regime.

To address the disparity in diabetes care for Cambodians, NDEP funded the National Cambodian American Diabetes Project (NCADP). Led by Khmer Health Advocates (www.Cambodianhealth.org) in Connecticut, the national project aims to promote diabetes awareness, to prevent and delay diabetes complications and to mitigate the impact of serious psychological distress using community health workers and videoconferencing technology.

The Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization in Oregon (IRCO, www.irco.org) is one of the five project sites involved in the national effort to promote diabetes awareness. For more information on NCADP, please contact Vunnara Thong at IRCO. Tel: (503) 234-1541 ext. 218. Email: vunnarat@mail.irco.org

For a free copy of *Silent Trauma* monograph and CD ROM, please go to <http://ndep.nih.gov/diabetes/pubs/SilentTrauma.pdf> or call (800) 438-5383.

References:

¹ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2003) State program in action: Exemplary work to prevent chronic disease and promote health, 2002 (p.85) Atlanta, GA: Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

² Wilson, P, Smoley, S & Belshe, S Analysis of Health Indicators for California's Minority Populations, (pp.44-45) Sacramento, CA: Office of the Governor.

³ *Mental Health of Cambodian Refugees 2 Decades After Resettlement in the United States*, Grant N. Marshall, PhD et al., *Journal of the American Medical Association*,. 2005;294:571-579.

(2) Washington State Diabetes Network: E-News Update, June 2007; see attached PDF file for Washington State's most recent E-News Update.

For questions about the Washington State Diabetes Network, the Washington State Diabetes Plan or the Diabetes Prevention and Control Program, contact diabetes@doh.wa.gov. or call (360) 236-3963. To view the Washington State Diabetes Plan, use this link: http://www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/diabetes/diabetes_plan.htm

To be added to the E-News distribution list, email Sara Eve Sarliker, Washington State Diabetes Program Coordinator, at Sara.Sarliker@DOH.WA.GOV, with "Add me to the Network" in the subject line.

(3) National Association of Chronic Disease Directors, Diabetes Council, Resources and References, June 2007; see attached Word document for most recent edition (March – May 2007). When available, this will be a new component of the Newsletter.

(4) Free publications from the National Kidney and Urologic Diseases Information Clearinghouse. NKUDIC is extending an opportunity to order bulk quantities of materials free of charge. To order these materials, simply complete the [order form](#). Click on “order form” to access form.

(5) Family Resource Network: Preparing for the 2007-2008 School Year

Preparations have already begun for the upcoming school year. Family Resource Network offers many resources to assist both families of children with type 1 diabetes and school staff. Resources include:

Safe At School Parent Workshops will be offered in August and September. Information provided would focus on how to work positively with school staff, implementation of an Individual Health Plan or Accommodation Plan, and how to plan for contingencies such as field trips, after school sports, assemblies and substitute teachers. Workshops are free to attend and in addition to information offer resources and networking opportunities. Locations include Bend, Eugene, Grants Pass, Medford, Portland, Roseburg and Vancouver. Flyers are available to help promote the workshops to parents in your area. For specific dates, additional details and/or to request flyers please call Bev Bromfield, Program Manager at (888) 342-2383 ext. 7294 or e-mail bbromfield@diabetes.org.

Trainings for School or Daycare Personnel are provided free to schools and daycare centers with the help of local diabetes educators. Educators work to ensure school personnel understand the disease and various aspects of management that impact a child with diabetes while in the school setting. Trainings include an overview of diabetes, low/high blood sugar symptoms and treatment – including glucagon certification, specific needs related to the child, and new in the fall - pump management protocols.

Family Resource Network Mentors are available to support families in need – whether newly diagnosed or experiencing rough times. Mentors are parents who also have a child with diabetes. They are trained to assist with school issues in addition to providing appropriate support for families. Being a parent they understand the day-to-day issues that occur with diabetes management.

A New Fall Requirement for Schools is the acceptance of only written physician orders for any insulin provided with assistance from school staff. (Orders and insulin adjustments provided by parents will not be accepted.) A letter for parents will be sent soon informing them of the above resources as well as of the need to obtain physician school orders early. Please encourage parents in your areas to make physician appointments soon and to call the American Diabetes Association for additional details (if they haven't received notification.)

For additional information and resources for children with diabetes and their families visit the American Diabetes Association website at <http://www.diabetes.org/for-parents-and-kids.jsp>

For information on services listed above call Bev Bromfield, Program Manager at (888) 342-2383 ext. 7294 or e-mail bbromfield@diabetes.org.

(6) AADE's *The Diabetes Educator* Journal Features the Diabetes Initiative, a National Program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation®

The [American Association of Diabetes Educators](#) (AADE) will publish a special supplemental issue of [The Diabetes Educator](#) to feature lessons learned from the [Diabetes Initiative](#), a national program of the [Robert Wood Johnson Foundation](#) (RWJF).

When: Look for the journal in early July 2007. [This issue does not seem to have been released yet.]

Papers in this issue will describe some of the promising approaches developed and implemented by grantees of the Diabetes Initiative as well as some [lessons learned](#) from the Initiative overall. Papers on [organizational capacity](#) provide models for how organizational and system factors may be addressed to facilitate implementation of self-management programs and enhance their institutionalization. These papers provide concrete examples of how primary care centers with limited financial resources are able to integrate self-management support into their systems of chronic illness care.

Other papers focus particularly on methods of [building skills](#) to support patient self-management including goal setting techniques, staff training and more. These papers demonstrate how specific skill building techniques equip members of the patient care team to help patients manage their chronic conditions and include them as partners in their own health care.

Several papers discuss the integral and unique roles [promotoras](#) (health promoters, community health workers, lay health educators) have had in providing self-management support in primary care and community settings. These papers describe a variety of models that reflect differences in needs, resources and location of the sponsoring site.

Building community supports for diabetes care and self-management was a goal of several projects in the Initiative. Although there is not a set of papers specifically addressing these, [community approaches and partnerships](#) are underlying themes in many papers, demonstrating their essential roles in self-management, especially in areas of supporting self-management behaviors and providing ongoing support for self-management plans.

Finally, in papers describing [lessons learned from the collective experience](#) of the Diabetes Initiative, there are suggestions for moving the field of diabetes care forward. These are derived from efforts of grantees to improve clinical systems of care for people with diabetes and/or improve community supports and resources that support healthy self-management behaviors.

For more information about the Diabetes Initiative visit: www.diabetesinitiative.org

Events & Trainings

(1) 5th Annual Wellness Walk – August 18, 2007 (African American Health Coalition); visit <http://www.aahc-portland.org/WalkEventPage.htm> for details.

(2) 2007 Oregon Adult Immunization Coalition (OAIC) Flu Summit – August 29, 2007, 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. University Place conference facilities, 310 SW Lincoln Street, Portland, OR

The agenda (attached) will include a working-lunch plenary session by Beverly Hagar, Employee Health Specialist at *Virginia Mason Medical Center*. This presentation will describe the innovative employee vaccination campaign that has earned VMMC national recognition and was presented this year at the National Flu Summit in Atlanta. Following the plenary speaker, attendees will choose between two concurrent workshops: the first will be a presentation on planning and implementing your own mass-vaccination clinic in a variety of settings; the second workshop will be an overview of vaccination administration, including recommendations, site selection, needle choice, and an overview of proper storage and handling for both injected and nasal flu vaccine.

Our intended audience includes all immunization providers, public health staff, employee health specialists, infection control specialists, hospital administrators, health educators, medical assistants, nursing home and long-term care administrators, tribal health, health professional students, immunizing pharmacists, hospital pharmacists, and other immunization stakeholders.

See attached RSVP form. Please email, mail, or fax this form back to Jenny Robinson, 971-673-0278, jennifer.s.robinson@state.or.us by August 15th. If you would like to know more about the Flu Summit, or have questions about exhibiting at or sponsoring this event, please contact Jenny Robinson at 971-673-0437 or Jennifer.S.Robinson@state.or.us.

(3) 2007 Cardiometabolic Health Congress (Boston, MA) – September 27-29, 2007

See <http://www.cardiometabolicehealth.org/> for detailed information.

Funding Opportunities

(1) 2008 Healthy Vision Community Awards Program

Special Announcement from the National Eye Institute (NEI), National Institutes of Health

The NEI is pleased to announce that applications for the 2008 Healthy Vision Community Awards Program will be available June 25, 2007. This program provides funding for the implementation of eye health education and promotion activities that support the Healthy Vision 2010 objectives and the Healthy People 2010 goals to reduce health disparities and improve quality of life. Application forms and program information are available at: <http://www.healthyvision2010.nei.nih.gov/news/hvca/>

If you have questions about the application package or eligibility requirements please e-mail your questions or requests to: HVCAMail@shs.net.

For questions about the Newsletter, the Oregon Diabetes Coalition, the Oregon Diabetes Program, or Oregon's Action Plan for Diabetes, please contact Carrie Washburn at 971.673.0984 or carrie.l.washburn@state.or.us. To view Oregon's Action Plan for Diabetes, visit <http://egov.oregon.gov/DHS/ph/diabetes/docs/2005plan.pdf>. To view the most recent Progress Report on Diabetes, visit <http://egov.oregon.gov/DHS/ph/diabetes/docs/progrpt06.pdf>.

If you have items to be included in the next newsletter (scheduled for release October 19, 2007), please forward this information to Carrie Washburn at carrie.l.washburn@state.or.us.

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