

# DCE Annual Report

2014-2015



# Mission

Empowering DCE members to be leaders in food, nutrition, diabetes care, and prevention.

# Vision

Optimizing the health of people impacted by diabetes using food, nutrition and self-management education.

#### Goal 1:

The public trusts and recognizes DCE members as food, nutrition and diabetes experts.

#### Goal 2:

DCE members optimize the health of individuals and populations impacted by diabetes.

#### Goal 3:

Membership and prospective members view DCE as vital to professional success.



# CHAIR/INDUSTRY RELATIONS CHAIR MESSAGE

"Make healthy living an easy choice" is the message that resounded as a common thread in many conferences that I was privileged to attend this past year as your Chair. Diabetes Care and Education (DCE) members are well positioned to deliver on this call to arms. Registered dietitian nutritionists (RDNs) focus on simplifying complex nutritional demands as we look at the client/patient as a whole. Our critical thinking skills set us apart when we individualize medical nutrition therapy (MNT) to fit diabetes into a person's life instead of fitting the person into diabetes.

DCE continues to be respected by our allies in the American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE), American Diabetes Association (ADA), International Diabetes Federation (IDF), and now also by the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists (AACE) and the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD). DCE leadership has represented our organization well at the conferences of each of these organizations this past year as well as the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo® (FNCE®). Attendance at these functions allows DCE to interact with the leadership of these alliance organizations, thereby garnering support to accomplish DCE's goals, as outlined in our strategic plan for 2013-2016.

A new DCE mission and vision statement, as seen to the left on this page, has been approved by the Academy for 2016-2019. The strategic goals are under development, but I wanted to give you a "sneak preview." I trust you will see the difference in strategies as DCE focuses more on diabetes prevention and incorporating all people affected by diabetes because we understand the importance of lowering the influx of new cases as well as improving support systems to ensure the success of those living with the disease.

Keeping with the theme of making it simple, here is a list of what DCE has accomplished this past year:

- Began a relationship with AACE: Had representation at the AACE/ACE Consensus Conference for Glucose Monitoring and at the AACE Annual Meeting for the first time in DCE history. Requested that AACE support a "Nutrition Study Group" to continue building the relationship.
- Had the first DCE/Academy poster session presented at an AACE Annual Meeting: Anna Parker, DCN, MS, RD, presented research that was funded by a grant from DCE on The Effect of Medical Nutrition Therapy by a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist in Patients with Prediabetes Participating in a Randomized Controlled Clinical Research Trial.
- All nominees for national awards that DCE submitted won! They are:
  - o Medallion Award: Judy Wylie-Rosett, EdD, RD
  - o Excellence in Practice-Clinical Award: Alyce Thomas, RD
  - o Excellence in Practice-Business and Consulting Award: Mary Austin, MA, RDN, CDE
  - o Huddleson Award: Anna Parker, DCN, MS, RD, CDE
- Collaborated with ADA and AADE to develop the "Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support in Type 2 Diabetes: A Joint Position Statement of the ADA, AADE and the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics."
- \*Supported research through the DCE Karen Goldstein Memorial Grant for Diabetes MNT application process to award a grant for research on Registered Dietitian Nutritionists (RDNs) as Diabetes Case Managers: Defining Scope of Work and Documenting Diabetes Self-Management Education Outcomes in the Outpatient Setting.

- Supported research throughout a 2-year period for *Improving* D5 Measures in Adults with Type 2 Diabetes: A Randomized Controlled Trial of a Dietitian-led, Primary Care Integrated Telemedicine Program.
- Supported the Commission on Dietetic Registration Obesity and Weight Management Specialist Practice Analysis Committee to develop an Interdisciplinary Board Certified Specialist in Obesity and Weight Management.
- Assisted in coordination of response to the Academy on the 2014 Draft Recommendation Statement Screening for Abnormal Glucose and Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus from the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force.
- Revised the DCE Industry Prospectus to communicate more clearly our sponsorship opportunities and build support among industry and members.
- Had a strategic planning speaker/facilitator to assist DCE in developing the new strategic plan for 2016-2019. Proposed mission and vision statements were approved by the Academy on May 14, 2015.
- Renovated the website with new color schemes and more white space. Revised the sponsors' page to reflect the level of sponsorship and include logos and hyperlinks to the sponsors' websites.
- Developed uniform reporting procedures and forms for Executive Committee to report and align activities with the strategic plan.

- Coordinated FNCE® activities for membership. Coordinated with Weight Management Dietetic Practice Group (DPG) to have a joint reception at FNCE® to honor our members.
- Coordinated DCE Leadership Retreat to ensure adequate cross-training of new leadership for the coming year.
- Produced five free webinars for DCE members.
- Mailed hard copy "Welcome" letters, which outlined all member benefits, to all DCE members who joined for fiscal year 2014-2015, along with a copy of the newly revised "Ready, Set, Start Counting," the DCE carb-counting educational handout.
- Issued three On the Cutting Edge peer-reviewed, continuing professional education units (CPEU) publications and three newsFLASH newsletters – our #1 member-rated benefits!
- Provided members with up-to-date reports on innovative technologies that are new on the market or in the pipeline via the dce.org website section on Innovations and Technology.
- Provided House of Delegate representation on mega issues, especially the recent member concerns about sponsorship policies.
- Supported "Action Alerts" when issued from the Academy Policy, Advocacy, and Initiatives Committee in Washington, DC.

Thank you again for all the support during my term as DCE Chair. It has been a most rewarding experience.

Jo Jo Dawine, M5 RDN LDN CDE

Jo Jo Dantone, MS, RDN, LDN, CDE

# INCOMING CHAIR'S MESSAGE

It has been my honor to serve as the DCE chair-elect for 2014-2015. With the direction and support provided by JoJo Dantone, MS, RDN, LDN, CDE, Chair, and Lisa Brown, RD, LD, CDE, Past Chair, I traveled this year with DCE leaders in my quest to better understand how to lead this incredible group. We will be transitioning to our new Mission, Vision, and goals, and I am proud to lead you with DCE's Mission: "Empowering DCE members to be leaders in food, nutrition, diabetes care, and prevention." We will be sharing the specific goals and strategic plan at a later date.

I also had some specific responsibilities to complete during the year. Thank you to those who participated in the member and expertise survey; the results are invaluable for meeting member needs. I was responsible for submitting a priority learning session for FNCE® 2015 that was accepted. *Type I Diabetes and Eating Disorders: Treatment Strategies for Dual Diagnoses* will be presented on Sunday, October 4, 2015, from 1:30 to 3:00 PM. All DCE members are invited to attend a Member Reception on that same day from 6:00-10:00 PM at the Wild Horse Saloon.

Choosing my leadership team and completing my budget were very exciting tasks. Completing the budget confirmed to me that

we do meet member needs through current, excellent continuing education, publications, webinars, sessions, and technology.

I thank you for this journey and for empowering me to lead DCE this year. I will carry forward the DCE Vision "Optimizing the health of people impacted by diabetes using food, nutrition, and self-management education" by initiating the implementation of our new strategic plan.

Betty A. Krauss, BS, RON, CDE

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# PRINT COMMUNICATIONS

#### Lorena Drago, MS, RD, CDN, CDE

The newsletters On the Cutting Edge and newsFLASH are each published three times a year and continue to be among the most valued member benefits. On the Cutting Edge is peer-reviewed, and each issue provides 3 to 4 hours of CPEUs. newsFLASH keeps members informed about the field of diabetes care and education. DCE distributes more than 7,000 issues of each newsletter to national and international members, RDNs, advocacy organizations, ADA spokespersons, and industry sponsors.

On the Cutting Edge themes in the past year included:

 Getting To the Heart of Diabetes: From Evidence to Guidelines to Individualization. Theme Editor: Mary Lou Perry, MS, RD, CDE (Volume 35 Number 4)

- East Meets West: Functional, Complementary, and Integrative Approaches to Diabetes Management. Theme Editor: Katherine Stephens-Bogard, MS, RDN, CDE, RYT 200 (Volume 35 Number 6)
- There's A Pill (Or Injection) For That: A
   Diabetes Pharmacotherapy Update.
   Theme Editor: Susan Cornell, PharmD,
   CDE, FPhA, FAADE (Volume 36 Number 2)

Three newsFLASH newsletters were published in the 2014-2015 fiscal year. Volume 35, No 5 and Volume 36, No 1 were generously sponsored for print by Lilly Diabetes. Volume 36, No 3 was generously sponsored for print by Roche. newsFLASH offers a variety of feature articles and regular columns, including:

- Book Review
- Have You Seen

- · Legislative Update
- Technology Update

DCE patient education handouts are peer-reviewed, copy-ready, and highly valued by both DCE members and nonmembers, as evidenced by the number of visits to the DCE website. During this year, a new concept was developed in which a handout was created to complement the upcoming renal On The Cutting Edge issue (Volume 36 Number 4). A low-literacy prediabetes handout has been posted to the DCE website. Each issue of On The Cutting Edge now includes lesson plans to assist dietetic professors with their class instructions. This is one of the many ways that DCE is connecting current and future dietetic professionals.

# **PUBLIC POLICY**

#### Michelle Chynoweth, RD, CDE

The DCE Public Policy Committee includes an appointed Policy and Advocacy Leader (PAL), who represents DCE to the Policy in Action (PIA) Office of the Academy in Washington, DC. DCE is assisting the efforts of the Academy and Diabetes Advocacy Alliance for passage of the reintroduction of Preventing Diabetes in Medicare Act of 2015, Gestational Diabetes (GEDI) Act, National Diabetes Clinical Care Commission Act, and Medicare Coverage for Continuous Glucose Sensors. Added to the list of legislative issues is the Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act, Treat and Reduce Obesity Act (TROA), Prevention Health Savings Act, and the Ryan White Care Act. DCE has provided resources, research, and testimony to support these legislative issues.

Academy webinars, online resources, and mentors in DCE and the affiliates assist members to develop their advocacy skills. Face-to-face visits with members of Congress are encouraged in the district office as well as the annual Public Policy Workshop in Washington, DC, which was held June 7-9, 2015. Attending town hall meetings, bring-your-congress member-to-work days, and district office meetings provide opportunities to create connections among nutrition professionals, their clients, and elected officials. Statistics and outcomes

demonstrate the benefits of evidencebased care, but the real results are personal. Putting a face on legislative and regulatory issues creates a lasting memory and personal connection. Our members have shared their personal and family diabetes journeys, professional experiences, and those of their clients in stories, videos, photos, and conversations.

DCE collaborates with other diabetes organizations at the board and grassroots levels. DCE members attend, present, and exhibit at many regional and national meetings, including the 2014 meeting of the California Chapter of the AACE, where they shared resources for patient and public policy advocacy, referrals, and access to diabetes care and prevention. DCE member Anna Parker, DCN, MS, RD, presented her abstract The Effect of Medical Nutrition Therapy by a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist in Patients with Prediabetes Participating in a Randomized Controlled Clinical Research Trial at the 2015 AACE National Meeting in Nashville, TN. In addition, nationally recognized diabetes and nutrition experts from DCE are frequent presenters at local and national meetings of the ADA and AADE.

E-letter writing campaigns with Action Alerts to Academy members are issued periodically by the Academy Grassroots Director to increase public exposure and congressional awareness of food, nutrition, and health issues. Legislative and regulatory changes, such as the U.S. Dietary Guidelines, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services acute-care hospital rules, and the National HIV/AIDS Operational Plan, require attention, data, and personal experiences from our members who care for those with and at risk for diabetes. The Action Alerts establish communication among our members and develop contacts with their members of Congress on a quarterly and often monthly basis. Evidence of the success of Action Alerts came this spring, with passage of HR2, which included funding for diabetes research, revising the Sustainable Growth Rate (SGR) calculation for Medicare Physician Fee Schedule, and reauthorization of CHiP (Children's Health Insurance Program). This was a combined effort of our members, other health professions, and their organizations.

DCE collaborates with Academy staff and members across the nation to support research studies, clinical care, public policy, reimbursement, education, and advocacy to improve the health and well-being of persons with and at risk for diabetes. Evidence-based practice, persistence, and passion drive members to ensure quality, innovation, and access to treatment and prevention of diabetes.

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Alyce Thomas, RD

The Professional Development Committee promotes the RDN as the recognized expert in diabetes care and prevention in three key areas: research, webinars, and diabetes innovation and technology.

#### Research

Arlene Monk, RD, LD, CDE

Preventing Diabetes Guidelines—Usage and Impact on Care is a DCE-funded research project conducted by the Dietetics Practice Based Research Network (DPBRN) and the Research Committee of the Academy. Approximately 600 RDNs responded to the Pre-Diabetes Survey sent out by DPBRN, and analysis of results is underway. These results will inform the planning of part 3, which is designed to measure the impact of guideline-based care on patient outcomes. RDN participants to test the guidelines will be recruited from survey respondents who expressed an interest. Results have been accepted for poster presentations at a Dissemination and Implementation Conference in December 2015. A manuscript on the survey has been developed and is being prepared for submission. The Preventing Diabetes **Evidence-based Nutrition Practice** Guidelines study was submitted for institutional review board approval. Participants for the study will be recruited in the next few months.

Finally, a presentation on this study was submitted as a DPBRN presentation for FNCE® 2015. Acceptance is pending.

Improving D5 Measures in Adults with Type 2 Diabetes: A Randomized Controlled Trial of a Dietitian-led, Primary Care Integrated Telemedicine Program. The first quarter report of a 2-year project awarded to Minnesota Heart Institute Foundation (DCE members Jackie Boucher, MS, RD, LD, CDE and Gretchen Benson, RD, LD, CDE) was reviewed in October 2014.

Registered Dietitians as Diabetes
Case Managers: Defining Scope of
Work and Documenting Diabetes SelfManagement Education Outcomes
in the Outpatient Setting. This is the
2014-2016 Karen Goldstein grant awarded
to DCE member Meghan McLarney, RD.

The Effect of Medical Nutrition Therapy by a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist in Patients with Prediabetes Participating in a Randomized Controlled Clinical Research Trial, written by DCE member Anna Parker, DCN, MS, RD, was published in the Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (2014;114:1739–1748). Anna Parker was the 2010 recipient of the Karen Goldstein award.

Additional activities of the Research Committee included providing information to DCE members on the latest research developments in the area of diabetes by compiling and preparing for publication the monthly DCE Journal Review. We also assisted DCE and Executive Committee members in answering research-related questions.

Working jointly with Policy Advocacy Leader, Michele Chynoweth, RD, CDE, we formulated a response to U.S. Preventive Services Task Force Draft Recommendations "Screening for Abnormal Glucose and Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus."

An article submitted for publication in newsFLASH highlights the benefits of research and of becoming a DPBRN member.

Working with the Academy Foundation, Executive Committee, and DCE staff, we promoted the Karen Goldstein award, which was reopened for applications after the first deadline did not result in appropriate/complete grant applications. Maria Chondronikola, MS, RD, and Arlene Monk, RD, LD, CDE, subsequently reviewed and rated the 14 grant applications for the Academy Foundation.

#### **Webinars**

Sarah Williams, RD, LD, CDE

We have presented four webinars this year:

- Functional Medicine for the Diabetes Practitioner
- Nutrition and Oral Health: Dietitian's Role in Comprehensive Healthcare
- Help Your Clients Make Sense of the Latest Science on Low- and No-Calorie Sweeteners (with the Beverage Commission)
- Diabetes and Ramadan (with Muslims in Dietetics and Nutrition)

We are working to coordinate webinars with the Weight Management DPG as well as the National Diabetes Education Program for later in 2015.

# Diabetes Innovation and Technology

Kaydee Brown, RD, LD, CDE

The Diabetes Innovations and Technology committee continued to post updates on industry news and recalls as well as pending technologies for diabetes and included new posts in the E-Updates. We created an oral antidiabetic medication, insulin delivery devices, and incretin mimetics reference chart that was posted on the DCE website in late fall 2014. Work continues to focus on adding other reference charts (insulin pumps and sensors) and updating old charts.

The goal for professional development for 2016 is to provide DCE members with cutting-edge knowledge through webinars; to educate and offer support for members who are or aspire to be involved in research; and to offer updates on the latest information on diabetes medications, technology, and products.

# **MEMBERSHIP**

Laura Yatvin, MPH, RD, CDE

DCE continues to grow and thrive, with a membership of more than 6,000. Members enjoy a variety of opportunities for professional support, including educational webinars and publications, research grants, and stipends made available with the generous support of our industry sponsors. Both members and non-members have commented upon the value of On the Cutting Edge, which is published three times annually. Another particularly valued benefit is the DCE Electronic Mailing List. Not only does this resource allow members to share ideas, but it helps them connect with colleagues dealing with similar issues and to collaborate to address recurring professional challenges.

To increase visibility for DCE, the Membership Committee staffed booths at the AADE Annual Meeting and Exhibit in Orlando and at the Marketplace for FNCE® in Atlanta. The response was excellent, with substantial traffic and interest. DCE leadership is continually seeking new ways to increase our membership and create more value for our members. In the coming year, we plan to expand our use of social media and our website to reach younger members and provide more timely and engaging webinars.

As the incidence of diabetes increases, DCE will continue to help meet the demand for education and care. For more information and to apply for membership, go to dce.org. Volunteers who want to become more involved can apply on the website through the volunteer tab. We look forward to another exciting year of service to our membership!

# 2014-2015 FINANCIAL REPORT

DCE's Executive Committee continues to be fiscally responsible, holding an ample amount of funds in reserve. The following financial report reflects our success in meeting our fundraising goals while maintaining low expenses.

REVENUE	YTD Actual	YTD Budgeted
Membership Dues	\$174,068	\$177,330
Merchandise Sales	200	2,600
Royalties	2,362	0
Grants/Contracts	170,173	97,100
Operating Revenues	346,803	277,030
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EXPENSES	Actual	Budgeted
Lodging	\$40,010	\$55,210
Subsistence	10,089	22,894
Transportation	41,427	58,450
Professional/Consulting**	207,719	117,535
Postage	28,911	19,050
Mailing Service	0	2,000
Office Supplies	2,126	2,820
Stationery/Forms	128	0
Telephone	512	0
Teleconference Expense	2,670	2,280
Website Hosting	147	0
Advertising/Promotion	2,332	1,500
Other Expense	1,315	1,200
Books/Subscriptions	-38	0
Membership Dues/Seminar Fees	18,198	25,717
Credit Card Processing Fee	4,993	4,710
Donations/Contributions	7,798	10,300
Outside Services	499	3,550
Donations to ANDF	6,000	6,000
Honorariums/Awards	15,835	25,300
Audio Visual	5,672	0
Expo/Meeting Services	4,787	6,000
Foodservice	43,918	39,850
Printing/Copying	9,204	4,350
Operating Expenses	\$454,252	\$408,716
Operating Excess-Deficit	-107,449	-131,686
Investment Income	63,622	0
Net Profit/(Loss)	(-43,827)	(-131,686)
Net Investment Reserves	\$703,760	

<sup>\*\*</sup> Includes \$68,000 to a Research Project and \$24,000 for print publications, OTCE and newsFLASH, which were approved by the Executive Committee in addition to the budget.

## 2014-2015 DCE CORPORATE SPONSORS

The generous support of industry sponsors allows DCE to fulfill our mission and vision. We sincerely thank the following for their support of DCE initiatives during the fiscal year of June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2015.

#### **PLATINUM SPONSORS**

#### Eli Lilly

 newsFLASH newsletter sponsorship for 2 issues

#### **Novo Nordisk**

· Recipe analysis

#### **GOLD SPONSORS**

#### **Roche Diagnostics**

newsFLASH sponsor 2015

#### Janssen Pharmaceutical

- FNCE® DCE/WM Reception,
- DCE Executive Committee lunch,
- OTCE partial sponsorship

#### **SILVER SPONSORS**

#### CanolaInfo

- OTCE Insert Ad
- e-Blast

#### **Daisy**

- 2 e-Blasts
- 2 e-Updates

#### Johnson-Johnson/McNeil Nutritionals LLC

- Distinguished Service Award
- Educational grant for Webinar
- OTCE Insert Ad

#### **Tandem**

 Leadership Retreat 2015 dinner, breakfast and focus group

#### Zing/Domino Foods, Inc.

• 2 e-Blasts

#### **BRONZE SPONSORS**

#### Abbott Diabetes Care, Inc

DCE Past Chair's breakfast at AADE 2014

#### **Abbott Nutrition Health Institute**

 Printing and mailing of "Ready, Set, Start Counting" educational handout for carb counting

# American Beverage Association via Weber & Shandwick

 DCE Executive Committee Meeting dinner and focus group at FNCE® 2014

#### **American Pistachio Growers**

e-Blast

# Dannon Yogurt via Pollock Communications

#### Diasend

Breakfast at Leadership Retreat 2015

Dreamfields

3 speaker stipends

#### Johnson-Johnson/Life Scan

Distinguished Service Award

#### **Kay's Naturals**

FNCE® EC meeting product samples
 Nestle Waters via Smart Cookie

#### **Productions**

e-Blast

#### siggi's yogurt via Ketchum

DCE Membership breakfast at AADE 2015
 Stur Drinks

#### DCE/WM Reception samples

## Tate & Lyle via FoodMinds, LLC

 DCE Executive Committee Breakfast at FNCE® 2014

#### **Valeritas**

 FNCE® 2014 Membership Breakfast and Awards Presentation

# 2014-2015 DCE AWARD AND STIPEND RECIPIENTS

#### **Legislative Award**

Heidi Roberts, RD, CDE

#### **Distinguished Service Award**

Carol Mahler Hamersky, MBA, RDN, CDE

#### **Diabetes Educator of the Year Award** Alyce Thomas, RD

#### **Champion Award**

Michael Swearingen

#### **Legislative Stipend**

Janice Fischer, RD, LD, PhD, CDE, BCADM

# Speaker Stipends

Charlene Dorcey, MS, RON, LMNT, CDE Shawna Bedard, MS, RD, LD, CDE Vijaya Juturu, PhD, FACN

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Amy Stephens, RD, CDE

#### **Educational Stipends**

BC-ADM, FADA, FAADE

Amber Wamhoff, RDN, LD, CDE Becky Brundin, MPH, RD, CDE Kimberley Yeatman, RD, LD, CDE Suzanne S. Laws, MS, RD, LD, CNS, CDE,

## REIMBURSEMENT

Kathy W. Warwick, RD, CDE

This has been a full and busy year for the Reimbursement Committee. I attended Leadership Training in Minneapolis, MN, on April 24-27, 2014 as well as the Public Policy Workshop in Washington, DC, on May 18-20, 2014. In Washington, we lobbied congressional members for Diabetes Prevention, Older Americans Act, a bill to change scoring by the Congressional Budget Office for long-term benefits of preventive medicine, and reimbursement for tele-health. I also represented DCE at the AADE meeting in August 2014 and the AADE reimbursement representatives meeting in October 2014. I attended a reimbursement training workshop with Mary Ann Hodorowicz in Jackson, MS.

I presented a webinar on *Diabetes*Care for the Aging Population for DCE in
January 2014. In addition, I participated
in a joint presentation with Dawn
Smiley, MD, for the DCE Spotlight
session at FNCE® 2014 on *Diabetes Care*in the Older Adult Population. Finally,
I made a presentation on *Diabetes*Care in the Aging Population for
Becky Dorner and Associates on
December 10, 2014.

When I attended the DCE Leadership Retreat, I worked with the incoming reimbursement representative to provide orientation for the position.

Throughout the year, I updated the DCE reimbursement page on the website, monitored the list serve for reimbursement questions, and answered emailed questions about reimbursement. Policy Advocacy Leader Michele Chynoweth, RD, CDE, and I encouraged members to respond to all Action Alerts and wrote letters to members of Congress as legislative issues arose. Throughout the year, I also participated as AADE reimbursement representative and the Academy Mississippi affiliate reimbursement representative.

# **ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS**

#### Laura Russell, MA, RD, CDE

DCE continues to expand member access to valuable resources through electronic communications. The DCE website is a robust source that provides value to both DCE members and the public. Last year, approximately 60,000 users visited the website, a 27% increase from last year. Educational handouts, webinars, and DCE publications continue to be the most

visited pages. The website includes access to valuable news related to diabetes, current research, public policy, and reimbursement updates. It also links members with volunteer opportunities, awards and scholarships, a member market site, upcoming events, and resources categorized by diabetes type. The public can search for DCE RDNs, learn about our

leadership committee, view the recipe archives, and access educational materials.

The Electronic Mailing List consistently involves more than 1,200 members actively sharing information, questions, tools, and ideas. We also connect with members monthly with an e-Update and send out timely information through e-Blasts.

# 2014-2015 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

#### **BACK ROW LEFT TO RIGHT:**

Michele Chynoweth RD, CDE; Laura Russell, MA, RD, CDE; Linda Flanagan Vahl; Alyce Thomas, RD; Laura Yatvin, MPH, RD, CDE; Liz Quintana, EdD, RD, LD, CDE

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Claudia Shwide-Slavin, MS, RD, BCADM, CDE; Betty Krauss, BS, RDN, CDE; Jo Jo Dantone, MS, RDN, LDN, CDE; Cecilia Sauter, MS, RD, CDE

Missing from photo: Lorena Drago, MS, RD, CDN, CDE, Diane Reader, RD, CDE



# 2015-2016 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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