About ADEA

The Australian Diabetes Educators Association (ADEA) is a member based public company limited by guarantee, a registered charity and has this year been granted Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status from the Australian Taxation Office.

The state and territory branch structure supports ADEA's goals and objectives by focusing on networking and continuing professional development opportunities.

ADEA is a learning organisation and is future oriented. ADEA seeks opportunities to improve its governance, operations and bring to bear technologies to support best practice for all staff. ADEA strives to support its membership and be responsive to members. In promoting the role of the CDE, ADEA advocates on their behalf to government, other health professionals and the community.

Evidence-based best practice diabetes education is fundamental to everything that ADEA does to ensure optimal health and well being for all people affected by, and at risk of, diabetes. ADEA considers diabetes education a specialty field of health care practice.

The certification trademark of the Credentialled Diabetes Educator® (CDE) was introduced by ADEA in 1986. At this time, it also implemented a professional recognition and development program to support diabetes educators working towards achieving and maintaining CDE status.

ADEA accredits post graduate courses in diabetes education and management across Australia. We set standards and develop guidelines for the practice of diabetes education. We support diabetes educators' delivery of quality diabetes education by offering and encouraging participation in our Credentialling and Re-credentialling Program, a voluntary professional development and recognition program for full members. ADEA offers professional development activities and endorses those developed by other organisations.





