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Australian Diabetes Educators Association marks World Diabetes Day 2022, themed *Education to Protect*

The Australian Diabetes Educators Association (ADEA) is marking this year's **World Diabetes Day on 14 November,** themed *Education to Protect*, with two exciting initiatives that will improve access to world-leading diabetes education.

ADEA is the peak body for more than **1600 Credentialled Diabetes Educators (CDEs).** CDEs are the experts in providing diabetes education and care across Australia. They are an integral part of any GP Management Plan/Team Care Arrangement. A CDE is a health professional recognised for their expertise in diabetes education and is credentialled by ADEA. CDEs help people manage their diabetes or prediabetes by providing personal care and support using the latest evidence-based information tailored to an individual's lifestyle and culture.

'ADEA is Australia's **leading provider of premier diabetes education** to CDEs. Our evidence-based education equips CDEs to protect people living with diabetes to reduce their risk of diabetes-related complications and live their healthiest lives. We are proud to stand with people living with diabetes this World Diabetes Day and every day,' said Susan Davidson, Chief Executive Officer of ADEA.

To mark this World Diabetes Day, ADEA is launching two initiatives and materials to provide education to protect. The first is **Diabetes Connekt**, **the world's first capability-building platform for diabetes care**, launched in conjunction with Dr Giuliana Murfet. ADEA also developed materials to support people living with diabetes in accessing a CDE, including information on **what a CDE is and how to find one**. Visit our <u>website</u> to learn more.

Diabetes is one of the most significant challenges facing the Australian healthcare system, with an estimated **1.8 million Australians living with diabetes** today, a number that is expected to rise even further in the coming years. ADEA joins with the International Diabetes Federation, and our health care partners and stakeholders, as well as all people living with diabetes to call on the Government to continue to take measures to support people living with diabetes.

You can learn more about ADEA, our policy statements, and Diabetes Connekt <u>on our website</u> or on <u>Diabetes Connekt</u>.

About ADEA: The Australian Diabetes Education Association (ADEA) was formed in 1981. ADEA is the leader in diabetes education and care in Australia and provides excellence in diabetes education for health professionals. ADEA is the national organisation in Australia that certifies Credentialled Diabetes Educators (CDEs).

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