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Bartle's Pharmacy Joins Exclusive List of CPESN NY, LLC Pharmacies to Offer Proven Diabetes Management Program Directly to Patients.

Buffalo, N.Y. May 6, 2022 – CPESN NY LLC, an independent practice association of pharmacies focused on advancing community-based pharmacy practice, is delighted to announce an eighth member pharmacy's diabetes education program that has received recognition and accreditation through the Association of Diabetes Care & Education Specialists (<u>ADCES</u>). <u>Bartle's Pharmacy</u> (Oxford, NY) now adds its name to the list of accredited pharmacies that are able to provide proven diabetes management programs to patients in their community.

A selective group was eligible to participate in the diabetes accreditation program (ADCES) with assistance from an NYS Department of Health grant initiative, allowing for better access to underutilized Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support (DSMES) services in socially vulnerable communities. Estimates include 1.6 million, or 10.5% of the adult population, is diagnosed with diabetes in NYS (BRFSS 2019), and that number is expected to grow exponentially. This expansion of diabetes managed care services empowers pharmacies to increase their clinical opportunities, creating the development of new payer and provider relations while delivering critical programs to patients that will improve their quality of life. A dedicated care team is now available to offer a flexible management plan to fit the needs and lifestyles of those with diabetes.

With the enduring effects of the pandemic, the healthcare system is severely impacted, creating an even greater demand for other outlets for patient care. People living with diabetes now have the opportunity to turn to their community pharmacies for the support and help they need. Programs involving DSMES will advance patient-centered initiatives and distinctly position pharmacies as trusted leaders in diabetes management. Bartle's Pharmacy, with the other seven CPESN NY, LLC pharmacies, is helping shape the pathway for the new transformative role community-based pharmacies will have now and in the future.

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About CPESN NY, LLC

CPESN NY, LLC / IPA is a registered healthcare entity within NYS. It is an independent practice association that has developed a network of 261 pharmacies structured to advance community-based

pharmacy practice. Its mission is to empower local pharmacies deeply rooted within the community by fostering the ability to provide high-quality, patient-centered enhanced services. CPESN NY pharmacies closely work with other providers on the patient's care team to help coordinate medical treatment, which has led to better medication adherence, higher patient satisfaction, and lower healthcare costs. CPESN NY is part of CPESN® USA, a nationwide network of pharmacy providers across America. To learn more, please visit www.cpesn.com.