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CPESN NY, LLC Pharmacies Growing as a Viable Option for Accessible Diabetes Education and Care Programs.

Buffalo, N.Y. June 6, 2023 – CPESN NY LLC (CPESN NY), an independent practice association, announces an additional seven member pharmacies' diabetes education programs that have received accreditation through the Association of Diabetes Care & Education Specialists ([ADCES](#)). This brings the total to 28 pharmacies within the network that have received this prestigious accreditation. These newly accredited pharmacies include [Family Pharmacy Plus](#) (Lockport, NY), [Felicity Pharmacy](#) (Bronx, NY), [Grand Care Pharmacy](#) (Maspeth, NY), [Neergaard Pharmacy](#) (Brooklyn, NY), [Pine Plains Pharmacy](#) (Pine Plains, NY), [Super Health Pharmacy](#) (Staten Island, NY) and [Taconic Pharmacy](#) (Jefferson Valley, NY).

Our network's most established program, [Middleport Family Health Center](#) (Middleport, NY) has been ADCES accredited since 2013. During this time they have provided diabetes education and support services to over 100 patients. This dedicated program has been valuable in the community and is well-received by local medical providers. They are one of the premier community pharmacy residency programs in New York State that utilizes this program to train future pharmacist diabetes educators. "We have had the opportunity to create a collaborative agreement with one of our local primary care offices where we provide education and make recommendations for adjustments to medication regimens for diabetes patients, further extending our reach and impact in the care of our patients," says Lindsey Landi, PharmD, Residency Director at Middleport Family Health Center.

CPESN NY applauds the New York State Department of Health for recognizing and promoting the value of pharmacists in diabetes care. Our member pharmacies serve as accessible locations for this valuable and effective service for New Yorkers with diabetes. New York State Medicaid recently announced fee-for-service and Medicaid Managed Care billing guidance for pharmacies providing diabetes education as described in the January¹ and March² NYS Medicaid Updates. "We look forward to working with our fee-for-service and Medicaid Managed Care partners in establishing billing pathways for diabetes education as next steps," says John Croce, President of CPESN NY.

¹ New York State Medicaid Update - January 2023 Volume 39 - Number 2:
https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/update/2023/no02_2023-01.htm#dsmt

² New York State Medicaid Update - March 2023 Volume 39 - Number 6:
https://health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/update/2023/no06_2023-03.htm#dsmt

In a short time frame, CPESN NY's diabetes programs have helped remove access barriers for patients needing these important services in socially vulnerable urban and rural communities statewide. Patients are providing positive feedback and reporting that there has been an improvement in both their diabetes knowledge and care. These pharmacies can also offer a host of additional value-added services that include but are not limited to vaccinations, wound care, medication adherence and monitoring, and access to vital diabetes supplies. As these programs continue to grow, the focus will be to reduce the overall disease burden and healthcare costs associated with diabetes.

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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 growing network of 287 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.