

Polish Federation for Diabetes Education (PFED) was founded in 2006 by people actively involved in care for patients with diabetes and their families. Founding members of PFED are nurses and dietitians who work in the Children's Memorial Health Institute in Międzylesie and in the Chair and Clinic of Gastroenterology and Metabolic Diseases, Public Central Teaching hospital of the Medical University of Warsaw.

PFED has presently over 500 members, among them there are nurses, pedagogues, dietitians, psychologists, physicians working at diabetes wards and out-patient clinics in Poland as well as the members of therapeutic teams working with patient with diabetes in other specialties.

PFED – long-term goals:

1. to improve the state of health of children and adolescents,
2. to improve the state of health of young adults,
3. to improve the state of health of adults.

Detailed PFED goals:

1. Training of medical personnel in pro-health behaviour, healthy nutrition, diabetes treatment.
2. Intensifying of educational activity in rural areas.
3. Increasing knowledge of diabetes in schools (kindergarten, primary and secondary schools).
4. Increasing knowledge of diabetes among patients with diabetes.
5. Wide information campaign in the media on possibilities of preventing diabetes.
6. Promoting the concept of teamwork in diabetes (educational team, therapeutic team).
7. Implementation of documentation of educational and therapeutic activities.
8. Education-publishing campaign.

PFED – scientific – training activity:

1. Organizing scientific-training conferences.
2. Developing the programs and organizing the course curriculum for specialization in diabetes for nurses and midwives.
3. Developing/publishing recommendations for nurses and midwives dealing with principles of caring person with diabetes.
4. Organizing research concerning the patient's with diabetes nursing level and organization.
5. Developing the project: nursing diabetes services and diabetes nurse position.
6. Publishing PFED Educational Magazine.

PFED – preventing activity:

1. Taking an active part in educational activities concerning diabetes prevention.
2. Patronizing/supporting companies, other organizations and associations in their educational and prophylaxis activities.

PFED – cooperation:

1. Centre for Postgraduate Education of Nurses and Midwives.
2. Main Council of Nurses and Midwives and District Councils.
3. Department of Nurses and Midwives at Ministry of Health.
4. National consultant in the field of Diabetes.
5. Consultants in the fields of Nursery and Midwifery.
6. Polish Nurses Association.
7. Polish Diabetes Association.
8. Polish Dietetics Association.
9. Polish Diabetic Association.
10. Polish Nursing Development Foundation.
11. Editorial of „Nurse and Midwife Magazine”.



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