

Meeting Brief

Stakeholders Meet on Increasing Financing for Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus Children in India (3rd Meeting)

Date: 10th October 2023, Tuesday | **Time:** 08:00 – 09:00 pm | **Location:** Virtual Zoom meeting

People to People Health Foundation (PPHF) convened 3rd meeting of stakeholders on “**Working together to increase financing for Type 1 Diabetes Mellitus children in India**” on **Tuesday, October 10, 2023**. The meeting agenda items were:

1. Disseminate the summary responses of online survey about the formation of Action Groups, its members and its activities.
2. Discussion on key activities of action groups for next 3-6 months.

Summary of meeting discussions

The meeting commenced with a review of the agenda items from the last meeting. The key highlights from the discussion are as follows:

1) Sharing of Online Survey Responses and Discussions

a) Task Force Group name selection

The group revisited and selected the platform's name received from the online survey. Two proposed names, **LEAD Alliance- Leadership and Empower Action for Diabetes (Type 1) Alliance** and **DEESHA- Diabetes (Type 1) Education and Empowerment Strategic Health Alliance** were presented for consideration. Participants were invited to vote for their preferred name for the Task Force Group, and collectively, 'DEESHA' received the majority of votes and was officially chosen as the name for the Task Force Group.

b) Nominations for Action Groups

From the responses received from the online survey, six action groups were established, each designed to address specific aspects of the Task Force Group. These groups include **Financing** (6 members), **Insurance** (6 members), **Livelihood Models** (10 members), **Awareness & Education** (21 members), **Access to Medicine** (12 members), and **Supply Chain** (4 members).

In addition to these six groups, two other suggestions, **Comprehensive Adolescent Health** (1 member) and **Type 1 Parents** (1 member), were put forward by participants. However, considering the requirement of a minimum of 5 members per group, the decision was made to proceed with the initial six action groups. Participants were encouraged to join a maximum of two groups as per their interest, ensuring effective and balanced participation.

2) Review of High-priority and Additional Activities with a tentative timeline

During the meeting, a review of activities spanning short-term (0-6 months), medium-term (12-36 months), and long-term (3-5 years) was conducted. In addition, participants also put forth additional activities, as detailed in the provided annexure.

3) Announcement of Action Group Participants

The names of participants for each action group were discussed, comprising individuals who either self-nominated or were recommended by other participants as provided in the Annexure. In the coming week, the Secretariat will coordinate with each action group to arrange virtual meetings to develop workplan for each action group.

4) Next Steps

- a)** Each Action group will have at least one meeting by December 2023.
- b)** The Secretariat will provide coordination support to each Action group.
- c)** Each Action group will develop a workplan for the next 6 months to 1 year.
- d)** The Secretariat will circulate the workplan for each Action group to the larger group by January 2024 and will host a meeting in January-February 2024.
- e)** The Action group will meet and work on the workplan activities.
- f)** Action groups will meet as needed.
- g)** Each Action group will nominate a chairperson and a co-chairperson.
- h)** The secretariat will coordinate with chairperson and co-chairperson for meetings.
- i)** A meeting will be arranged with General Insurance Council to discuss the process and guidelines for Type 1 Diabetes.

The meeting was adjourned with a note of appreciation for everyone's valuable contributions and participation. PPHF Team extended a vote of thanks to all the participants.

List of Participants

1. Ms. Akansha Sharma
2. Dr. Anil Kumar Vedwal, Yog Dhyan Foundation
3. Dr. Anju Virmani, Max Smart Super Speciality Hospital
4. Dr. Banshi Saboo, Diacare
5. Dr. Brij Makkar, RSSDI
6. Mr. Chitransh
7. Dr. Graham Ogle, Life for a Child
8. Dr. Hardik Sankhla, National Health Authority
9. Mr. Harsh Kohli, T1D Foundation of India & DIYA Group
10. Mr. Indrajit Majumdar, Diabetes Awareness & You
11. Dr. Jayshree Swain, Association for Voluntary Action
12. Dr. Jothydev Kesavadev, Jothydev's Diabetes and Research Centre
13. Dr. Mahira Saiyed, Diabetes Care India
14. Dr. Manisha, Biocon
15. Ms. Mridula Bhargava, Diabetes Fighters Trust
16. Ms. Nupur Lalvani, Blue Circle Diabetes Foundation
17. Dr. P.V. Rao, Diabetes Research Society
18. Dr. Prakash Subbarayan, General Insurance Council
19. Mr. Prashant Mani, Tamil Nadu T1 Foundation
20. Dr. Rakesh Sahay, Osmania Medical College & Osmania General Hospital
21. Dr. Ramnik Changani, Juvenile Diabetes Foundation
22. Dr. Ratna Devi, Dakshama Health
23. Mr. Rohan Arora, Blue Circle Foundation
24. Dr. Santhosh Olety, Karnataka Institute of Endocrinology & Research
25. Dr. Saurabh Uppal, Future Foundation
26. Ms. Sheryl Sailis, Juvenile Diabetes Foundation
27. Dr. Shivani Sidana, AIIMS, Bathinda
28. Dr. Sirisha Kusuma Boddu, Rainbow Children's Hospital
29. Ms. Sirisha Mantha, Sweet Souls
30. Ms. Snehal Nandagawli, Blue Circle Diabetes Foundation
31. Mr. Umang Mathur, SPM Medicare

PPHF meeting facilitators and support team

Ms. Akshitha Dandu, Ms. Arushi Kaur, Mr. Ajay Pal, Ms. Ifra Yusuf, Ms. Krittika Banerjee, Dr. Laxmikant Palo, Mr. Mani, Dr. Mounika Pydipalli, Dr. Sona Deshmukh, Mr. Usman Siddiqui, Mr. Varghese Joseph

Annexure

Additional activities proposed by participants

Short Term (1-12 months)	Medium Term (12-36 months)	Long Term (3-5 years)
Publish Position Statement	Conduct Pan India studies and research on prevalence of T1D	Influence policymakers for T1D care and advocacy (Ex: GST reduction, additional financing provisions)
Advocacy for insulin and glucostrips access	Promote ISPAD LMIC T1D guidelines and annual drive for HbA1c test	Advocate for insulin pump and CGMS for all
Education campaigns and support	Engage with Parliamentarians to increase attention on T1D	Comprehensive T1D training, helpline and awareness
Raise awareness in schools	Advocate for Inclusion of Insulin and CGM in Essential Medicines List	School support and teacher education
Prepare a funding resource for Type 1	Promote integration of technology for remote care	Develop public awareness
Conduct CMEs for healthcare professionals	Advocate for nationwide T1D prevalence data	Implement T1D registry, EMR, National CME, consensus, recommendations and resources
	Develop SOPs and guidelines for SHG	

Action Groups and its members

I. Action Group- Financing

1. Mr. Indrajit Majumdar, Diabetes Awareness & You
2. Dr. Mahira Saiyed, Diacare
3. Ms. Mridula Kapil Bhargava, Diabetes Fighters' Trust
4. Ms. Nupur Lalvani, Blue Circle Foundation
5. Mr. Vinay Kumar Mukhekar, Medtronic
6. Dr. Yash Patel, All India Institute of Diabetes and Research

II. Action Group- Insurance

1. Mr. Harsh Kohli, Diya Group
2. Dr. Mahira Saiyed, Diacare
3. Mr. Nitin Kapoor, Department of Endocrinology, CMC
4. Dr. S. Prakash, Star Health and Allied Insurance Co. Ltd
5. Dr Santhosh Olety, Karnataka Institute of Endocrinology & Research
6. Dr. Taher Hussain, Diabetes Awareness & You

III. Action Group- Livelihood Models

1. Dr. Archana Sarda, Udaan
2. Mr. Dinu Surendran, Medtronic
3. Mr. Indrajit Majumdar, Diabetes Awareness & You
4. Dr. Krishnan Swaminathan, Idhayangal Charitable Trust
5. Ms. Lakshminarayana Varimadugu (Proposed)
6. Ms. Mridula Kapil Bhargava, Diabetes Fighters' Trust
7. Mr. Navneet Agrawal, Diamitra Healthcare LLP
8. Mr. Prashant Sharma, Medtronic (Proposed)
9. Ms. Tina Khanna, Saksham
10. Dr. Yash Patel, All India Institute of Diabetes and Research

IV. Action Group- Awareness & Education

1. Dr. Anju Virmani, Max Smart Super Speciality Hospital
2. Dr. Archana Sarda, Udaan
3. Prof. Avula Laxmaiah, Ex.Director Grade Scientist-ICMR- NIN
4. Dr. Banshi Saboo, Diacare
5. Dr. Beena Bansal, Saksham
6. Mr. D Ramchandani (Proposed)
7. Mr. Gagan Atreja, Eris Life Sciences
8. Dr. Jothydev Kesavadev, Jothydev's Diabetes Research Centre
9. Ms. Kajal Hansda, Diabetes Awareness & You
10. Dr. Mahira Saiyed, Diacare
11. Dr. Manisha, Biocon
12. Mr. Prashanth Mani, T1D Foundation of India
13. Dr. Rakesh Kumar, Association for Children with Type 1 Diabetes
14. Dr. Ratna Devi, Dakshama Health
15. Dr. Sanjay Kalra, Bharti Hospital
16. Dr. Saurabh Uppal, Future Foundation
17. Dr. Sirisha Kusuma Boddu, Rainbow Children's Hospital
18. Ms. Sirisha Mantha, Sweet Souls
19. Dr. Shivani Sidana, Dept. of Endocrinology, AIIMS Bathinda
20. Ms. Snehal Nandagawli, Blue Circle Foundation
21. Dr. Sushil Patel, All India Institute of Diabetes and Research

V. Action Group- Access to Medicine

1. Dr. Anil Kumar Vedwal, Yog Dhyan Foundation
2. Dr. Banshi Saboo, Diacare
3. Dr. Deepika Harit, UCMS & GTB Hospital, Delhi
4. Mr. Harsh Kohli, Diya Group
5. Dr. Jothydev Kesavadev, Jothydev's Diabetes and Research Centre
6. Dr. Krishnan Swaminathan, Idhayangal Charitable Trust
7. Dr. Madhur Verma, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bathinda
8. Ms. Madhumati Dey, Diabetes Awareness & You
9. Dr. Rutul Gokalani, AHC Diabetes Clinic
10. Mr. Rohan Arora, Blue Circle Foundation
11. Dr. Sudhir Bhandari, Rajasthan University of Health Science
12. Dr. Yash Patel, All India Institute of Diabetes and Research

VI. Action Group- Supply Chain

1. Dr. Anil Kumar Vedwal, Yog Dhyan Foundation
2. Dr. Gagandeep Kwatra, Dept of Pharmacology, AIIMS Bathinda (Proposed)
3. Mr. Niloy Kumar Sinha
4. Dr. Shuchy Chugh, Novo Nordisk

VII. Action Group- Comprehensive Adolescent Health

1. Dr. Meenakshi Verma, Sparsh Clinic

VIII. Action Group- Type 1 Parents

1. Ms. Gopika Krishnan