2019 State and Federal Legislative & Regulatory Priorities

*In all areas, there is an ongoing commitment to achieving health equity.*

**Diabetes Research and Programs**
- Increase overall funding dedicated to diabetes research, programs, and clinical translation of research, including, but not limited to:
  - The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases at the National Institutes of Health.
  - The Division of Diabetes Translation at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
  - The Special Diabetes Program for type 1 research and programs in American Indian/Alaska Native communities.
  - The National Diabetes Prevention Program to support community-based programs to prevent type 2 diabetes including in disparately impacted communities.
  - Diabetes research and prevention programs in states.
  - Innovative funding for diabetes research and programs.
- Protect and expand research opportunities.

**Access to Adequate and Affordable Health Care**
- Ensure public and private health insurance coverage options, including, but not limited to, those under the Affordable Care Act, Medicare, Medicaid, Children’s Health Insurance Program, and state-mandated benefits provide adequate and affordable access to the medications, tools, education, and health care necessary to meet the ADA’s Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes.
- Oppose weakening of existing protections for people with diabetes and prediabetes in federal and state law.
- Make insulin affordable and accessible for all who need it and require transparency throughout the insulin supply chain.

**Prevention**
- Assess the burden of diabetes and prediabetes to develop, implement, and promote diabetes prevention policies and programs.
- Reduce obesity, improve nutrition, address food insecurity, and increase physical activity in communities.

**Discrimination**
- Ensure students with diabetes are medically safe and have access to the same educational opportunities as peers without diabetes.
- Ensure laws and policies for private and commercial driver’s licenses result in fair treatment of people with diabetes.
- Ensure fair treatment of employees with diabetes.
- Ensure fair treatment of people with diabetes accessing places of public accommodation and public services.

**Health Equity**
- Promote health equity among at risk populations affected by diabetes and prediabetes.
- Address diabetes-related social determinants of health

**Advancing Treatments and Technology**
- Provide scientific expertise to regulators on issues related to diabetes and the need for improved means to treat, monitor, and prevent diabetes.