



## Optimal Patient Care

In December 2016, the Northern Michigan Diabetes Initiative hosted three Friday Medical Conference seminars on patient compliance related to diabetes. These webinars have been archived and you can find them at <http://nmdi.org/forphysicians>.

There is a related webinar on March 29: A Multi-Layered Approach to Medication Adherence for Vulnerable Populations. To learn more and register, visit the [National Center for Primary Care](#).

## Upcoming Events

- **JDRF Northwest Michigan Connections, T1**  
Family event: Summer Camp with Diabetes. Learn about Camp Midicha. April 6, 7-8:30 at the Café at Horizons Bookstore on Front Street, Traverse City. RSVP to Gary at [Ggilmore1@earthlink.net](mailto:Ggilmore1@earthlink.net).
- **Diabetes Partners in Action, Full**  
Membership Meeting, April 27, 2017. Click [here](#) for additional meeting details.

## E-Blast Newsletter

Don't forget NMDI has a patient newsletter! You can sign up for the newsletter by contacting Amanda at [awoods@mhc.net](mailto:awoods@mhc.net). This newsletter is emailed quarterly and contains helpful hints on managing your diabetes along with community events.

## 2015-2016 Annual Report



Our annual report is finally available on the NMDI website. Learn about the provider survey, our successful candy-take back program, and find out which celebrity Dr.

Vollbrecht interviewed this year! Hint, he is not your average 'man.' View this report and past annual reports: <http://nmdi.org/publications>.

The report is currently being mailed to over 300 physician offices across the 14-county region with an insert that highlights key points from the *Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes-2017*. If you would like a hard copy of the report, please contact Amanda at [awoods@mhc.net](mailto:awoods@mhc.net).

## Diabetes Prevention Program Updates

### Medicare Coverage in 2018

CMS recently released final guidance on the Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program (MDPP) benefit. To stay up-to-date and connected to future MDPP rulings: Sign up at [CMS.gov](http://CMS.gov).

### Northern Michigan Diabetes Prevention Collaborative

Are you a DPP provider that wants to connect with other groups in the area that also offer the Diabetes Prevention Program? Join the Northern Michigan Diabetes Prevention Collaborative.

The goals of the group are to host quarterly calls with your fellow DPP Lifestyle coaches to share best practices and trouble shoot common barriers. Our next call is May 1 from 1:30-3:00 PM. Email Amanda at [awoods@mhc.net](mailto:awoods@mhc.net) to be added to the network.