



We are the NDVLC

The National Diabetes Volunteer Leadership Council (NDVLC) mission is to convene, collaborate and communicate with the global diabetes network to positively effect change on emerging and evolving issues that impact people with diabetes. NDVLC is comprised of individuals who combine their passion for advocacy with decades of diabetes experience and leadership to advance patients-first policies at the local, state and national levels. Our members – all former leaders of national diabetes organizations – engage policymakers, and public and private sector influencers to call attention to the diabetes epidemic and provide a voice for 30 million Americans living with the disease.

We Know Diabetes

NDVLC leaders draw on decades of personal experience managing our own diabetes or supporting family members and friends managing theirs. We understand the challenges of meeting complex medical needs while navigating insurance barriers that too often get in the way of what's best for individuals with chronic health conditions. Diabetes is a common thread, uniting NDVLC leaders from different backgrounds, professions, geographies and political persuasions. We work together to advance one cause: **Effective, affordable health care and a discrimination-free environment for every person affected by diabetes.**

We Know How to Get Things Done

We combine experience leading national diabetes organizations with professional experience in business, law and government. We are accountants, judges, lawyers, lobbyists, insurance agents, bankers, sales and marketing executives, small business owners, health plan administrators, employers and more. Our diverse backgrounds and areas of expertise help NDVLC examine tough problems from different perspectives and then find consensus solutions. We draw on trusted advisors and our personal and professional networks, convening, collaborating and communicating with individuals and organizations that share our commitment to put patients first.

Work with Us

NDVLC works with policymakers to address the leading drivers of rising outpatient prescription drug costs and eliminate coverage-related barriers to appropriate, affordable, individualized medical care. We work with employers and business groups, advocating for employee health benefit structures that reduce diabetes costs and improve outcomes. Most important, we work with other patient advocates and organizations to help people with diabetes understand and navigate health costs and coverage.

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