

# Compendium of good practices in integrated care for diabetes and eye health

## Call for expressions of interest to submit case studies

February 2018

### Background and purpose

*The Global Advocacy Initiative on Diabetic Eye Disease*<sup>1</sup> is seeking expressions of interest to submit a case study for inclusion in a compendium of good practices in integrated care for diabetes and eye health, to be published in late third quarter 2018.

This compendium will compile and document a series of real-world case studies showcasing current initiatives to advance integrated, early detection and prevention-focussed care for diabetes and eye health, across a range different contexts and resource settings.

It is intended to strengthen the existing evidence base, provide lessons learned and key recommendations on effectively implementing and evaluating integrated approaches to diabetes and eye health. Drawing on evidence from a range of projects and programs from different contexts around the world, the document will provide guidance to policy makers, medical organisations and service providers on practical strategies to implement effective approaches to integrated diabetes and eye health care.

***For any questions or clarifications or for more information, please contact Ben Murphy, Global Advocacy Advisor, The Fred Hollows Foundation, at [bmurphy@hollows.org](mailto:bmurphy@hollows.org).***

### Call for Expressions of Interest: Case Studies

Government, health care practitioners, non-government and community stakeholders are encouraged to submit an expression of interest for a case study to be included in the compendium document.

### Selection criteria

All Expressions of Interest will be reviewed by the Global DR Advocacy Leadership Group, with final case studies for inclusion to be selected based on the following criteria:

- 1. Relevance:** does the program/initiative explicitly demonstrate one or more of the components of an integrated approach to diabetes and eye health outlined in the Terms of the Reference? Are these activities clearly observable in policy, plans and/or systems and procedures?  
*(For example, the provision of appropriate eye health services and information in routine diabetes care, appropriate task shifting, effective referral and coordination between eye health and diabetes care providers)*
- 2. Evidence of impact:** the strength and quality of evidence demonstrating the impact of the program/initiative (on access, utilization and quality of diabetic eye care). This includes consideration of any formal evaluation or research activities that have been undertaken.

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<sup>1</sup> The *Global Advocacy Initiative on Diabetic Eye Disease* is a multi-agency advocacy project being undertaken by leading non-government agencies in the diabetes and eye health sectors from 2017-2018. The current Leadership Group for the initiative includes: The Fred Hollows Foundation (FHF); Helen Keller International (HKI); The International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB); International Council of Ophthalmology (ICO); International Diabetes Federation (IDF); Lions Clubs International; Orbis International; Sightsavers International; The Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Trust; World Council of Optometry (WCO); and in association with the World Health Organisation (WHO).

In order to capture a **diverse balance of contexts and programs**, the selection process will also strive to select a mix of case studies from low, medium and high-income contexts, and a mix of different approaches to integration (such as government regulatory/policy approaches, community based initiatives, non-government programs etc).

### Process for submitting Expressions of Interest

**Expressions of Interest for inclusion in the compendium should be a maximum of 400 words and briefly provide the following information:**

- 1. Context**, including:
  - a. Country
  - b. Income category (low, lower-middle, upper-middle, high income - as per World Bank classifications)
  - c. Region(s)
  - d. Implementing partner(s)
- 2. Brief description of the project/initiative:** What are the high level objectives and activities?  
*(Note: This should be a policy or practice approach that demonstrates an integrated approach to diabetes and eye health (for example, provision of eye health services in routine diabetes care, improved referral pathways and collaboration between diabetes and eye health providers etc).<sup>2</sup>*  
Please specify which of these components this initiative relates to)
- 3. Key lessons learned:** including the *measurable impact* of this integrated approach (particularly on access, utilization and quality of diabetic eye care). Please indicate if a formal evaluation or research activities have been undertaken for this project.

### Deadlines for submission

- Expressions of interest responding to the 3 questions above are due **6 April 2018**. Please note that all submissions will be fully reviewed and considered but a limited number will be selected for the final compendium.
- Applicants will be advised on whether their case study has been approved for inclusion in the compendium by **20 April 2018**.
- For those case studies approved for final inclusion, applicants will then be guided to develop a more detailed final case study (approx 800 words total) and provide an accompanying picture for inclusion in the compendium by **30 May 2018**.

**Expressions of interest should be sent to Ben Murphy, Global Advocacy Advisor, The Fred Hollows Foundation, at [bmurphy@hollows.org](mailto:bmurphy@hollows.org) by 6 April 2018.**

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<sup>2</sup> For further information on how “integrated approach to diabetes and eye care” is understood for the purposes of this compendium, please refer to The International Diabetes Federation and The Fred Hollows Foundation’s [Diabetes Eye Health: a guide for health professionals](#) and The International Diabetes Federation (IDF), the International Council of Ophthalmology (ICO), the World Council of Optometry (WCO) and the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB) joint declaration [Strengthening health systems to manage diabetic eye disease: Integrated care for diabetes and eye health \(2017\)](#)