

# **‘NADI ADVOCATE’ FOR GENERAL PRACTITIONERS: EXPECTED BENEFITS & MEMBERSHIP**

## **Objectives**

**‘NADI Advocate’ Initiative** hopes to help healthcare professionals specifically the general practitioners to further improve the quality of diabetes care for people with diabetes and achieve conformity of standards in diabetes care in Malaysia.

## **Benefits of a ‘NADI Advocate’**

- **Certificate as NADI Advocate**  
A Certificate as NADI Advocate will be issued to a doctor who is certified and endorsed as a NADI Advocate. The certificate will state that the named doctor has **achieved competency in managing diabetes** and has also taken a pledge to **ensure optimal care for people with diabetes**. The certificate can be displayed in the clinic.
- **Clinic Plaque**  
A Plaque will also be issued to the clinic as **NADI Advocate Clinic**, implying that doctor(s) in the clinic is/are competent in managing diabetes and in ensuring optimal care for people with diabetes. Display of certificate and Plaque is expected to attract more diabetes patients to attend the clinic/consult the accredited doctor.
- **expected to have more patients visiting the clinic for diabetes management as the list of certified ‘NADI Advocate’ clinics will be displayed on NADI and D’ Centers websites (and in NADI Diabetes Magazine) for patients and relatives to refer to. The list will also be regularly e-mail blast to NADI members with diabetes.**
- **NADI Advocate will also**
  - ✓ **receive free patient support materials from the ‘Fight Diabetes’ programme, including:**
    - **NADI Diabetes magazine**
    - **Educational booklets, pamphlets, leaflets and posters**
  - ✓ **have access to NADI and D’ Centers websites and online educational materials**

- ✓ **have access to D' Centers for advice on diabetes management from diabetes experts, dietitians and diabetes educators.**
- ✓ **will be eligible to participate in the IoT cloud-based diabetes management monitoring to ensure optimal care for people with diabetes.**
- ✓ **will be able to attend Conferences and Courses conducted by NADI at reduced rates.**

### **How to become a 'NADI Advocate'**

A General Practitioner who wishes to become a 'NADI Advocate' shall:

1. first, attend a **NADI Regional Diabetes Course** or **NADI Diabetes Asia Conference** to be eligible to be considered as a 'NADI Advocate'
2. then, visit **NADI Website** to read 3-4 review articles/guidelines on current management of diabetes and answer questions (MCQ type) based on the articles and/or subjects covered during the Regional Workshops
3. Once completed, the General Practitioner must **sign a pledge** (which will have to be displayed in the accredited clinic) stating that:
  - 3.1 he/she will strive to manage patients with diabetes to the best of his/her ability to ensure at least a minimum standard of care as recommended by international/national /NADI guidelines
  - 3.2 'NADI Advocate' will also promote self-care by empowering patients to further ensure optimal diabetes management
  - 3.3 allow access for representative(s) from Platinum sponsors to visit the clinic
  - 3.4 allow external reviewers/assessors to inspect a sample of the clinic patient records to ascertain that the recommended quality of standard of care for people with diabetes is attained

**The tenure as a 'NADI Advocate' shall be one year and renewable.** The General Practitioner will undertake yearly assessment as in item no #2 above to be eligible to continue enjoying the benefits as a 'NADI Advocate'.

A 'NADI Advocate' who is deemed not to have attained/maintained a minimum standard of care (as assessed by the reviewers) or has not taken or fail the annual reassessment may not be eligible to renew his/her NADI Advocate' certification.

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