

## Diabetes Support Organisations

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### Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF)

JDRF is a world-wide non-profit health organisation and registered charity, which is dedicated to funding basic and applied medical research to find a cure for diabetes and to prevent diabetes complications. In addition, JDRF provides information, education and advocacy for Type 1 diabetes for children, adolescents, their families, health professionals, government and the wider community.

JDRF provides practical support to families through its national volunteer network. To join JDRF a membership form must be completed. The first six months membership is free for newly diagnosed young people and their families.

Further information can be obtained by contacting **1300 363 126** or by visiting their website: <http://www.jdrf.org.au>

### Diabetes Australia (DA)

Diabetes Australia Limited (DA) is a federation of 12 major diabetes organisations, comprising eight State and Territory Associations of Diabetes Australia, as well as the Australian Diabetes Society, the Australian Diabetes Educators Association, the Kellion Diabetes Foundation and the Diabetes Research Foundation-Western Australia.

DA aims to:

- Help people with diabetes live full and meaningful lives
- Help families learn how to incorporate diabetes into their lifestyle
- Alert the community to the seriousness of diabetes, its risk factors and potential for prevention of Type 2 (non-insulin dependent) diabetes
- Liaise with health professionals with the common goal of constantly improving diabetes care support diabetes research with funding through the Diabetes Australia Research Trust (DART)
- Fight discrimination and lobby government and decision makers about diabetes-related issues
- Raise funds for research.

Further information can be found at:

<http://www.diabetesaustralia.com.au/>  
<http://www.australiandiabetescouncil.com/>

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