

### **Standard 1: Support for DSMES Services**

The Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support (DSMES) team will seek leadership support for implementation and sustainability of DSMES services.

Interpretive Guidance	Indicator	Yes	No
from expert stakeholders, who can provide purposeful input and advocacy to	<ol> <li>The DSMES service will identifying external service stakeholders and how each may provide purposeful input and/or advocacy.</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>This selection of external stakeholders will be reviewed/revised annually.</li> </ol>		



### **Standard 2: Population and Service Assessment**

The DSMES service will evaluate their chosen target population to determine, develop, and enhance the resources, design, and delivery methods that align with the target population's needs and preferences.

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A. The DSMES service will identify their target population DSMES needs, preferences, and barriers and have a plan to address.	<ul> <li>Documentation exists that reflects annual assessment of:</li> <li>a) The demographics of the target population</li> <li>b) The target population's diabetes type</li> <li>c) The DSMES preferences and needs, and</li> <li>d) Target population's barriers to DSMES services.</li> </ul>		
B. The DSMES service will use resources and delivery methods that align with the target population's needs and preferences.	<ol> <li>Documentation exists that reflects annual assessment of DSMES service resources relative to the target population.</li> <li>(e.g. physical space, staffing, scheduling, equipment, interpreter services, multi- language culturally relevant education materials, low literacy materials, large font education materials, mobile devices, upload devices and DSMES clinic portal accounts, virtual education equipment and platforms)</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>Annual documentation exists reflecting a plan to address any DSMES gaps to serve the target population.</li> </ol>		



#### **Standard 3: DSMES Team**

All members of a DSMES team will uphold the National Standards and implement collaborative DSMES services, including evidence-based service design, delivery, evaluation, and continuous quality improvement. At least one team member will be identified as the DSMES quality coordinator and will oversee effective implementation, evaluation, tracking, and reporting of DSMES service outcomes. Other members of the DSMES team must have proper qualifications to provide DSMES services.

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Α.	The DSMES service has a designated coordinator who oversees the planning, implementation, and evaluation of the service at all sites.	CC	nere is documentation of one quality pordinator as evidenced by a position escription or performance appraisal tool.		
В.	The DSMES team includes one or more healthcare professional with current	R	t least one DSMES team member is a N or RDN, or pharmacist or BC-ADM®, r CDCES®.		
	credentials: Registered Nurse	m	I healthcare professional DSMES team embers must have current licensures nd/or registration		
C.	Professional team members must demonstrate mastery of diabetes knowledge and training.	de to ar	rofessional team members must emonstrate ongoing training in DSMES pics per the CBDCE examination content reas. BC-ADM® and CDCES® team member credentials must be current.		
		b)	Non-BC-ADM® or non CDCES® professional team members must have documentation reflecting 15 hours of continuing education (CE) from the Certification Board for Diabetes Care and Education (CBDCE) approved CE providers annually per the DSMES service's anniversary month.		



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	c) Non-BC-ADM® or non CDCES® professional team members who do not have 15 hours CEs within the 12 months prior to joining the DSMES team must accrue the 15 hours of CEs within the first four months of joining the DSMES service as a professional team member.		
D. Diabetes Community Care Coordinators (DCCC), previously referred to as paraprofessionals, must be qualified and provide diabetes care and education within their scope of practice and training.	<ol> <li>DCCC team members must have evidence of previous experience or training in: diabetes, chronic disease, health and wellness, healthcare, community health, community support, and/or education methods as evidenced by a resume or certificate.</li> <li>(e.g., community health worker, health promotor, pharmacy, lab or diet technician, medical assistant, peer education, trained peer leader)</li> </ol>		
	2. DCCC team members must have supervision by a professional DSMES team member. Supervision can be demonstrated by a position description or performance appraisal tool.		
	3. DCCC team members must have documentation reflecting competency and 15 hours of training prior to providing DSMES services and annually per the DSMES service's anniversary month. (e.g., documented in-service training, medication or device training, etc.)		



### Standard 4: Delivery and Design of DSMES Services

DSMES services will utilize a curriculum to guide evidence-based content and delivery, to ensure consistency of teaching concepts, methods, and strategies within the team, and to serve as a resource for the team. Providers of DSMES will have knowledge of and be responsive to emerging evidence, advances in education strategies, pharmacotherapeutics, technology-enabled treatment, local and online peer support, psychosocial resources, and delivery strategies relevant to the population they serve.

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A. A written curriculum guides evidence- based content and delivery of DSMES services.	An evidence-based curriculum with content, learning objectives, method of delivery and criteria for evaluating learning is in place and covers the following 9 topics. a) Diabetes pathophysiology		
	b) Healthy eating		
	c) Being active		
	<ul> <li>d) Taking medications – oral, injectable, insulin pump, inhaled</li> </ul>		
	e) Monitoring glucose		
	<ul> <li>f) Acute complications prevention, detection, and treatment including hypoglycemia, hyperglycemia, diabetes ketoacidosis, sick day guidelines and severe weather or situation crisis and diabetes supply management</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>g) Chronic complications prevention, detection, and treatment including immunizations and preventative eye, foot, dental care, and renal screens and examinations as indicated per the individual's duration of diabetes and health status</li> </ul>		
	h) Lifestyle and healthy coping		
	i) Diabetes distress and support Note: Problem solving is person centered and addressed within each topic area when appropriate.		



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B. There is evidence that the teaching approach is interactive, patient centered, and incorporates problem solving.	The curriculum or other supporting documents are tailored/individualized and involves interaction and problem solving.		
C. The curriculum and/or supporting materials are reviewed/revised to ensure they align with current evidence.	There is documentation reflecting at least annual review/revision of the curriculum and/or supporting materials by the DSMES team and/or the DSMES service stakeholders.		
D. For services outside of the scope of practice of the DSMES team or services, the DSMES team should document communication with referring providers and/or other qualified healthcare professionals to support person -centered care.	There must be documentation reflecting a procedure for meeting participants' needs when they are outside the scope of practice of the DSMES team or service.		



### Standard 5: Person-Centered DSMES

Person-centered DSMES is a recurring process over the life span for a PWD. Each person's DSMES plan will be unique, based on their concerns, needs, and priorities collaboratively determined as part of a DSMES assessment. The DSMES team will monitor and communicate the outcomes of the DSMES services to the diabetes care team and/or referring provider.

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A. An assessment of the participant is performed in the following areas to develop the person centered DSMES	<ol> <li>An assessment of the participant is performed in the following areas to develop the person centered DSMES plan.         <ul> <li>a) Diabetes pathophysiology and treatment options</li> </ul> </li> </ol>		
plan. <i>Participants</i> receive a comprehensive	b) Healthy eating		
assessment that includes baseline	c) Being active		
diabetes self- management knowledge, skills,	d) Taking medications		
and readiness for behavioral change	e) Monitoring glucose		
	f) Acute complications		
	g) Chronic complications		
	h) Lifestyle and healthy coping		
	i) Diabetes distress and support		
	<ul> <li>j) Clinical history (diabetes and other pertinent clinical history)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>k) Health literacy (ability to understand and interpret) (e.g. glucose targets, A1C target, carb awareness, carb counting, carb choices etc.)</li> </ul>		
	<ol> <li>Parts of the initial assessment may be deferred if applicable and the rationale for deferment is documented.</li> </ol>		



Interpretive Guidance	Indicator	Yes	No
B. Each DSMES participant has a	1. Participant's DSMES plan is documented in the medical record.		
person centered DSMES plan with outcomes measured	<ol> <li>Each DSMES session is documented in the medical record.</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>The outcome evaluation of the DSMES is documented for the topic areas covered during each session.</li> </ol>		
C. Each participant will develop an action oriented behavioral change	<ol> <li>DSMES participants will develop at least one action oriented behavioral change goal.</li> </ol>		
plan to reach their personal behavioral goal/s.	<ol> <li>The outcome of the behavioral change goal/s will be measured and documented. The outcome measurement timing will vary based on the individual and the outcome to be measured.</li> </ol>		
D. Clinical outcome measures reflect the impact of the DSMES services on the health status of the participant.	The DSMES service will determine at least one participant clinical, or quality of life outcome and it will be measured and documented at baseline and post DSMES for each participant. The outcome assessment timing will vary based on the individual and the outcome to be measured.		
	(e.g. clinical, quality of life, hospital days, ER visits, baby weight, C-section delivery rates, DKA, A1C, missed school work or school days etc.).		
E. The DSMES team will monitor and communicate the outcomes of the DSMES services to	There is evidence that the DSMES planned or provided, and outcomes will be communicated to the referring provider and/or other members outside of the DSMES service of the participant's diabetes care team.		
the participant's diabetes care team.	Note: The outcomes may include one or more of the following: education, behavioral goal/s, and/or other outcome/s.		



#### **Standard 6: Measuring and Demonstrating Outcomes of DSMES**

DSMES services will have ongoing continuous quality improvement (CQI) strategies in place that measure the impact of the DSMES services. Systematic evaluation of process and outcome data will be conducted to identify areas for improvement and to guide services redesign and optimization.

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A. To demonstrate the benefit of DSMES, members of the team track and aggregate relevant participant outcomes	<ol> <li>At least one category (healthy eating or being active or taking medication, etc) of participant behavioral goal outcome will be identified and aggregated at a minimum annually. Note: All participants are not required to select a behavioral goal for this category but for those that did select a goal in this category the outcomes will be aggregated.</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>At least one other participant clinical or quality of life outcome will be identified and aggregated at a minimum annually. Note: For the other outcome, the DSMES provider will attempt to collect this for all participants.</li> </ol>		
B. Formal CQI strategies provide a framework to strive for excellence,	The DSMES provider will always have a documented quality improvement project and implement new projects when appropriate. The project will include:		
quantify successes and identify future opportunities.	a) Opportunity for DSMES service improvement or change (What are you trying to improve, fix, or accomplish?)		
By measuring and monitoring outcome	<ul> <li>b) Recognized DSMES services will have baseline CQI project data</li> </ul>		
data on an ongoing basis, the	c) Project outcome targets		
Recognized DSMES team can	<ul> <li>Project assessment and evaluation schedule at a minimum every 6 months</li> </ul>		
identify areas for improvement. They can then adjust engagement	<ul> <li>e) Recognized services will have project outcomes measured, assessed and evaluated at a minimum every 6 months</li> </ul>		
strategies and service offerings to optimize outcomes.	<ul> <li>f) Recognized DSMES services will have a plan to address gaps identified or service change needs</li> </ul>		