Support and Information for Blind Diabetics

Age Requirements No Age Requirement Available 24/7 No Other Eligibility Criteria Visually impaired with Diabetes, Individuals interested in learning and supporting others Intake Contact Marc Maurer Self Refer Yes National Federation of the Blind (NFB) https://nfb.org/diabetics Main (410) 659-9314 200 East Wells Street at Jernigan Place, 21230 MD United States Additional Availability Comments Join support group and subscribe to magazine at the National Federal of the Blind website. Fee Structure

No Fee Languages Spoken English

The Diabetes Action Network, a division of the National Federation of the Blind, is a support and information network for all diabetics, especially those who are blind or losing vision. They reach out to fellow diabetics who may be finding it difficult to cope with problems that accompany diabetes, and also provide support and information to interested persons. Discussions are held covering all aspects of living with diabetes. The principal medium of the support network is the free quarterly news magazine, "Voice of the Diabetic". <u>Subscribe Online</u> here.

Diabetes resources are also available to help blind diabetics and those losing their vision to self-manage their diabetes and continue to be independent. Some equipment (i.e. audio output devices) have been adapted for the blind. By using alternative techniques and products, the blind can and do accurately draw up insulin, monitor blood glucose levels, etc. They can control their diabetes as efficiently as do their sighted peers.

Diabetes is the leading cause of blindness among working-age adults.

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