

## **Fil-Am appointed to National Clinical Care Commission**

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### **JASMINE GONZALVO**

Filipino-American Jasmine Gonzalvo, PharmD, BCPS, BC-ADM, CDE, LDE, FADE has been appointed by U.S. Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Alex Azar to represent diabetes educators as a member of the National Clinical Care Commission (the Commission).

The Commission will identify inefficiencies and gaps in activities across federal programs and

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provide recommendations to the HHS Secretary and Congress on how to improve program coordination and enhance clinical care.

She was officially sworn-in as a non-federal committee member at the Commission's inaugural meeting on Oct. 31, 2018.

Representing diabetes educators, Dr. Gonzalvo selected as one of only 12 non-federal committee members to identify and improve gaps in diabetes care within federal programs.

"Jasmine Gonzalvo's appointment to the Commission represents an opportunity for diabetes educators to help inform federal policies related to diabetes and other metabolic and auto-immune diseases," said Donna Ryan, MPH, RN, RD, CDE, FADE, 2018 ADE president.

"Being one of only 12 non-federal Commission members means that Dr. Gonzalvo will play a critical role in providing recommendations for federal policies and programs that will improve care for individuals living with these diseases. This appointment is a cornerstone for diabetes educators leading national policy discussions."

At the meeting, the Commission reviewed current federal interagency efforts related to diabetes programs, established the Commission's subcommittee structure, set future agenda topics, and heard oral comments from public stakeholders.

Joan Bardsley, MBA, RN, CDE, FADE, and past president of ADE (2014) addressed the Commission on behalf of ADE, sharing key aspects of ADE's vision for the specialty of the diabetes educator that align with the Commission's charter and described duties.

Established by Congress on Nov. 2, 2017, the Commission was formed to bring together researchers, public health experts, physicians, non-physician healthcare providers, patient advocates and other specialists to evaluate and leverage federal programs related to complex metabolic or auto-immune disease that result from insulin-related issues.

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The Commission will consist of 23 voting members, including 11 ex-officio members from federal agencies and departments, and 12 non-federal members.

The 12 non-federal members will represent diverse disciplines and views and will have expertise in prevention, care and epidemiology in complex diabetes, metabolic or auto-immune diseases or the complications caused by such diseases.

Dr. Gonzalvo is a Clinical Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice in the College of Pharmacy at Purdue University and a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist at Eskenazi Health in Indianapolis, IN.

She served on the Board of Directors for AADE from 2015 to 2017 and has been recognized with several teaching and mentorship awards throughout her career.

She is currently serving a four-year term on the Board of Directors for the National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators (NCBDE).

### **About AADE**

AADE is a multi-disciplinary professional membership organization dedicated to improving diabetes care through innovative education, management and support.

With more than 14,000 professional members including nurses, dietitians, pharmacists, exercise

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specialists and others, AADE has a vast network of practitioners working with people who have, are affected by or are at risk for diabetes.

Learn more at [www.diabeteseducator.org](http://www.diabeteseducator.org), or visit us on Facebook (American Association of Diabetes Educators), Twitter (@AADEdiabetes) and Instagram (@AADEdiabetes).

### **About NCCC**

The National Clinical Care Commission (“the Commission” or “NCCC”) evaluates and provides recommendations on the coordination and leveraging of federal programs related to complex metabolic or auto-immune diseases that result from insulin-related issues and represent a significant disease burden in the United States, including complications due to such diseases.

The Secretary of Health and Human Services approved the NCCC charter on April 3, 2018.

The Assistant Secretary for Health (ASH) provides guidance and oversight for the Commission’s function and activities.

The Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP) will provide management and support services for the Commission’s activities.