A warm welcome from the new co-Editor-in-Chief



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Our mission

Diabetes Care for Children and Young People will continue to publish high quality clinical research, editorials and commentaries that play a key role in exploring current issues in a balanced way, allowing the reader to make an informed decision on how or whether their clinical practice should be improved for the healthcare of CYP with diabetes. As part of our future strategy, we will continue to offer publication space to allied healthcare professionals looking after CYP with diabetes.

The journal champions innovation in care and examples of good practice from across the UK. If you are involved in projects or research relating to improving the care that CYP with diabetes receive, we would like to hear from you. The journal is published quarterly and all articles are submitted electronically. Details of article style and the submission process can be found online at www.dotn.uk/media/author_instructions/ DCCYP-ITA.pdf and articles can be submitted at www.epress.ac.uk//dccyp/webforms/author.php. Please email the editor at <u>DCCYP@omniamed.</u> <u>com</u> if you would like to discuss possible ideas for content or have any additional queries.

Peer review remains a vital component of our assessment of submitted articles. Articles are peer reviewed by two professionals with specialist knowledge of the area(s) covered in an article, for example transition, paediatric endocrinology, adolescent psychology or diabetes specialist nutrition. I would like to take this opportunity to thank current editorial board members and other specialists in the field for their ongoing commitment to the standards to which the journal aspires.

Continuing professional development

DiabetesontheNet.com continues to provide free CPD modules in association with the Primary Care Diabetes Society, a number of which will be of direct and/or indirect interest to readers. The recently-published 'Diabetes in children and young people - part 1. Overview of diabetes in the young' provides information on diagnosing diabetes, an overview of NICE guidance on type 1 and 2 diabetes management in CYP, and describes the types of diabetes that affect CYP. It is likely to be useful for junior healthcare professionals and you may want to direct primary care colleagues to it if you feel the module will enhance their knowledge and/ or confidence in interactions with CYP with diabetes. Part 2 on prescribing and monitoring insulin in CYP and part 3 on CYP education, diet and lifestyle, hypoglycaemia, comorbidities and complications will both be available in the near future.

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The e-journal is distributed free of charge to diabetes practitioners and to allied healthcare professionals. Let your colleagues know about it so that they don't miss out! If you would like to receive copies, or if your email address has changed, please contact the editorial team and ask to subscribe to the journal at DCCYP@omniamed.com.

About Dr Ng

Dr May Ng is a Consultant Paediatric Endocrinologist and Associate Medical Director at Southport and Ormskirk NHS Trust. She is also Honorary Senior Lecturer at the Institute of Translational Medicine, University of Liverpool. She completed her undergraduate degree under full scholarship at the University of Sydney, Australia and her paediatric training in Australia and the UK. She was the recipient of the UK Medical Research Council Fellowship in 2006 and completed further training to obtain a Masters in Medical Science and PhD degree in paediatric endocrinology and diabetes. Dr Ng also holds a Master of Laws degree from the University of Liverpool and is active in medicolegal work.

Current roles include:

- Chair of the UK Association of Children's Diabetes Clinicians
- Clinical Guidelines Officer for British Society of Paediatric Endocrinology and Diabetes
- Training Advisor for Endocrinology and Diabetes College Specialty Advisory Committee for the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH)
- Member of the Diabetes UK Council for Healthcare Professionals
- Member of the Online Learning Committee for the European Society of Paediatric Endocrinology

Looking ahead

Me, Fiona and the editorial board, on behalf of the journal, will continue to serve the common interests of our readers to meet the challenges ahead. I look forward to working with all of you as we continue to make the journal a success. We welcome your submissions, as well as your feedback as readers, authors and reviewers.

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• International Society of Pediatric and Adolescent Diabetes (ISPAD) e-learning Editorial board.

An active researcher, Dr Ng is author of over 100 publications, with 60 peer-reviewed research papers including three Cochrane reviews. She has also presented at more than 100 scientific meetings. Dr Ng serves on the editorial board for several international journals and is a regular invited referee for many high-impact journals. She has been an invited keynote speaker at many national and international meetings including Diabetes UK in 2018 and 2019, Diabetes Ireland in 2017, Diabetes Professional Conference in 2016, National Network Forums and Royal College meetings.

Dr Ng is a clinical lead of multiple national award-winning initiatives such as the Diabetes UK Mary Mackinnon Award 2018, winner of the 2015 Diabetes Quality in Care award, highly commended runner up for Diabetes Team of the Year National *BMJ* Awards 2015, finalist for the *HSJ* Clinical Leader of the year 2015, finalist in the UK Asian Woman of Achievement Award 2016 and recent finalist in the *HSJ* Diabetes Initiative 2019.

She is also author of *A Journey with Brendan*, a book documenting life with her son with autism as both a mother and paediatrician.