

PCDS

Primary Care Diabetes Society

The latest news and views from the Primary Care Diabetes Society

The 12th National PCDS Conference

The 12th National PCDS Conference took place from 24–25 November in Birmingham and was attended by over 650 attendees. At the Annual General Meeting, a motion was passed to increase the number of committee representatives to 20 to adequately represent the UK nations and the Republic of Ireland, so all the committee members up for election were re-elected.

Jane Diggle and Su Down will take the role of Vice Chairs of the committee.

The PCDS poster award was presented to Azam Saied, Warwick Medical School, for his poster on an “Evaluation of ability to recognise patients with pre-diabetes and offer appropriate lifestyle reviews in primary care”, and the runner-up prize was awarded to Clare Hambling, Bridge Street Surgery, and her poster on

“Older people with type 2 diabetes and chronic kidney disease are commonly overtreated with therapies associated with severe hypoglycaemia”. The PCDS Committee is also delighted to announce that a donation of £422.44 has been made to Children in Need from the collection held at the Society’s Annual Dinner. Thank you for all the generous contributions. ■

The PCDS Lifetime Achievement Award to Roger Gadsby MBE

Presented by
Martin Hadley-Brown

Roger Gadsby MBE was awarded the first PCDS Lifetime Achievement Award for services to primary care diabetes in the UK at the 12th PCDS Conference, Birmingham.

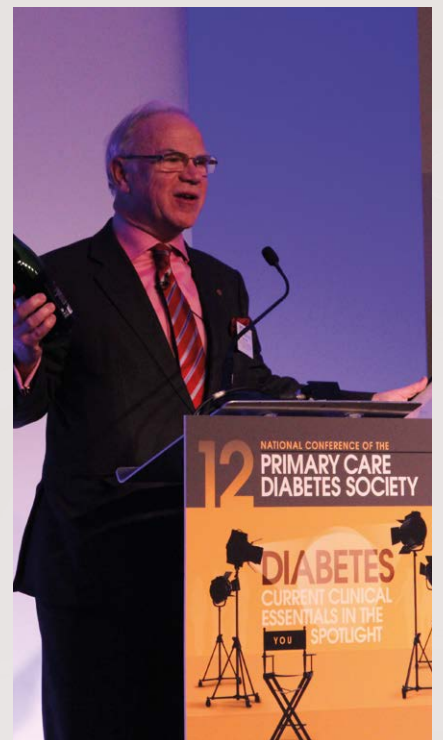
Roger began his working career as a GP in 1979, before going on to be a senior partner and setting up a practice diabetes clinic in 1984. He was a member of Primary Care Diabetes UK from the mid-1990s before it was remoulded into the PCDS we know today, of which he was a founding member and the first treasurer from 2005–2008.

He has been involved with educating the next generation of clinicians since the early 1990s and is now Associate Clinical Professor at Warwick Medical School, synonymous with the well-known and much regarded diabetes

course. He continues to contribute to publications and books, has advised on five NICE diabetes guidelines and the recent IDF guideline on *Managing Older People with Type 2 Diabetes* and is GP Clinical Lead for the National Diabetes Audit (NDA). He was awarded an MBE in the Queen’s Birthday Honours list in 2009 for “services to medicine and diabetes care”, the only GP specialising in diabetes with this accolade.

His contribution to primary care diabetes has culminated in Roger being awarded the first ever PCDS Lifetime Achievement Award. The PCDS committee would like to extend their warmest wishes to Roger, and thank him for sharing his wisdom and insight in primary care diabetes, and long may it continue!

In addition to the award, next year will see the Roger Gadsby Prize awarded for a poster presenting an audit cycle that makes a demonstrable difference to primary care practice.



Roger Gadsby MBE, recipient of the PCDS Lifetime Achievement Award.

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Claire Partridge

Vice Chair of the PCDS, Claire Partridge, stepped down from the committee after nearly 10 years of service. She has been one of the longest serving committee members, previously in the role of Secretary, and her expertise has been extremely valuable in shaping the direction of the PCDS today. Claire qualified as a Registered General Nurse in 1988

and is a Practice Nurse and Diabetes Lead in an 11 000-patient practice in Coventry. Claire's overarching aim has been to improve the lives of those with diabetes and their families, both in her practice and nationally, by promoting good practice, developing clinical guidelines and being involved in research as part of a multidisciplinary team. The PCDS committee would like to take this opportunity again to thank Claire for her commitment and dedication to the society and to primary care diabetes in the UK.

PCDS Twitter feed @PCDSociety

A selection of Tweets from conference attendees #2016PCDS

Dr Dylan @DrDylanParry

An excellent whistlestop tour of #NICE guidance by Dr David Millar-Jones. #2016PCDS

STAH-Dietitians @STAH_Dietitians

Our Dietetic Assistants currently at the PCDS National Conference #2016PCDS

Lesley Hamilton @Lesleydmwest

On way to #2016PCDS Great programme and great networking!

kate @katewilli91

#2016PCDS looking forward to the day!

nicola milne @nicmiln

#2016PCDS The Diabetes Oscars:Great Session



Colin Kenny @drckenny



Photos from the 12th National PCDS Conference.