

# Diabetes Equity Project



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**Primary Goal:** Reduce disparities in diabetes care by increasing access to services, improving quality of care, and producing positive health outcomes

– **Target Population**

- Uninsured and underinsured
- Type 2 Diabetes
- Low SES

– **Three Core Components**

- **Patient Support:** Enhance patient education and personal empowerment
- **Provider Support:** Enhance cultural competencies and communication skills in diabetes care
- **System Support:** Create a useful Diabetes Patient Registry

– **A Five Year Journey:** Feb 2009 – Dec 2013

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# Patient Component: Diabetes Health Promotion



- 5 – 6 Community Hub Sites
  - Patients are referred by
    - Own site’s charitable clinic providers
    - Other charitable clinics providers
    - Project Access Dallas providers
    - Other
  - Coordinated approach
    - Ongoing relevant communication with PCP
- One-on-One format (based on CoDE™)
  - Ability to “case manage” and customize education
  - Up to 7 patient contacts per year
  - Patient can stay in program indefinitely
- Culturally competent program delivery
  - Incorporates pertinent ADA standards and AADE Healthy 7
  - Built upon patient/Diabetes Health Promoter relationship
    - Diabetes Health Promoters
      - Bilingual Medical Assistants with CHW certification and diabetes specific training
      - 60 – 90 minute patient visits
    - Appropriate patient literature – low literacy, English and Spanish