

## **Novo Nordisk Education Foundation adds another 'Centre of Excellence' in Karnataka**

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### **High-quality training will be given to create a pool of resources for managing Type 1 diabetes in children**

Cementing its commitment towards managing Type 1 diabetes (T1D) among children in India, Novo Nordisk Education Foundation (NNEF), a non-government organisation established by Novo Nordisk India, has added one more Centre of Excellence (CoE) in Karnataka with Indira Gandhi institute of Child Health.

NNEF has been supporting sustainable care for people living with T1D through Centres of Excellence in close partnership with state governments and prestigious medical colleges. In this context, NNEF has now developed 7 CoEs with various state governments.

As a public-private partnership, this CoE will cater to the immediate need of building capacity and capability to fulfil the unmet needs of people living with T1D in the country. It will provide holistic care through a host of services, including a dedicated dietician for consultation, doctors for regular health check-ups, diabetes monitoring, laboratory tests, and efforts to strengthen the overall T1D care ecosystem.

Camilla Sylvest - Executive Vice President, Commercial Strategy & Corporate Affairs, Novo Nordisk visited the Centre of Excellence and said, "We hope that this Centre of Excellence will not just provide integrated care to children who need it the most, but also lead to a sustainable model of integrated care for children living with Type 1 diabetes in Karnataka."

Lauding the development, Vikrant Shrotriya - Managing Trustee, Novo Nordisk Education Foundation said, "There are over 8.6 lakh people living with T1D in India, of which 2.8 lakh individuals are below the age of 20 years. It is therefore critical to increase awareness at the grass-root level in India, to help with early diagnosis."

The Centres of Excellence (CoEs) are part of NNEF's focused strategic approach towards sustainability. These public-private partnerships, between Novo Nordisk Education Foundation and leading public healthcare institutions across the nation, are dedicated to providing integrated care to children living with T1D.