



# WHAT DOES „WIR SIND DIABETES“ STAND FOR?

„wir sind diabetes“ (we're diabetes) is the lobby for people with diabetes in Austria, their relatives and all persons to whom people with diabetes and their care are a concern. This also includes those involved with diabetes professions.

„wir sind diabetes“ is not a self-help organization! Rather we see it as our mission to help people with diabetes, to make their voices heard and bring their concerns in dialogue with the decision-makers in politics, the health system and general public.

# WHO IS „WIR SIND DIABETES“ (Founding members)



## ADA Active Diabetics Austria

The Active Diabetics Austria (ADA) is an association founded in 1997 and active throughout Austria in the field of diabetes self-help, with several thousand members. The association's mission statement: People with diabetes are not patients (sufferers), but people with multiple needs who want to bring diabetes into positive harmony with their lives. Activities are information and exchange of experience in the self-help groups, as well as the organization of events. ADA members receive the magazine „ADA-Journal“ four times a year with current dates and invitations, reports on association activities as well as summaries of the presentations and interesting news.

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## DIABÄR Association for people with diabetes of the university clinics Graz

The association was founded in autumn 1995 by affected persons. The aims of the association are to improve the care of children and adolescents with diabetes in educational institutions and to represent their interests to third parties. The association tries to achieve these goals through lectures, discussion groups, training and sport activities. In the foreground are the annual training courses, sports and adventure camps for children and adolescents, in which the handling of diabetes in everyday life is practiced in a playful way. The medical quality is guaranteed in cooperation with the specialist departments of the University Clinic for Children and Adolescents and the Internal Medicine Graz. During the exchange of information and experience between those who are affected, parents and relatives in family weekends, even the youngest can experience a „mini-camp“. The association's newspaper „Diabetes News“ provides information about the activities and offers of DIABÄR, about research projects and new therapies twice a year.

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**ÖDV**

**Austrian Diabetes Association**

The Austrian Diabetes Association, founded in 1977, is the largest and oldest diabetes self-help organization in Austria with currently 50 groups, 8 counselling centers and more than 90 volunteers. The main focus of the association's activities is the representation of interests and training of people with diabetes and their relatives, exchange of experience in the groups and discussion groups as well as information events. This includes the Austrian Diabetes Day, family training weekends, training and recreation camp for children from 8 to 12 years, diabetes up-date for young people from 13 to 18 years, as well as a mobile diabetes counselling in kindergartens/schools (Vienna) and the diabetes nannies (Salzburg, Tyrol). Furthermore, the ÖDV publishes the diabetes magazine „Mein Leben“ four times a year.

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**[www.diabetes-austria.com](http://www.diabetes-austria.com)**

**Emergency relief initiative for people with diabetes  
Kub & Hopfinger GmbH**

Since 1996, [www.diabetes-austria.com](http://www.diabetes-austria.com) has been providing easily understandable information, networking and practical help with problems for people with diabetes. Hundreds of thousands of people with diabetes, their relatives or interested people found their way to the platform filled with information. Actionism and lobbying led to citizens' initiatives, blue-lit houses on World Diabetes Day and charity events for the benefit of children with diabetes. Current study and research results, new therapies or blood-glucose measuring devices including software; there is almost nothing which can not be found on the online platform. Over the years, Diabetes Austria has thus become an emergency aid organization for people with diabetes.

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# **THE CLAIMS TO THE GOVERNMENT AND SOCIAL SYSTEM OF „WIR SIND DIABETES“**

- › Implementation of the goals outlined in the Austrian Diabetes strategy of 2017**
- › Commitment of the Austrian parliament and social system to national uniform patient-centered standards of care, specially for children and adolescents with diabetes**
- › Further development and expansion of the national diabetes management program „Therapie-Aktiv“ as well as easier access to trainings for all diabetes patients**



## Be a part of it!

And set a sign of solidarity for people with diabetes by wearing our yellow bracelet.

Become a member and support our work or provide us with financial aid.

For information go to: [www.wirsinddiabetes.at](http://www.wirsinddiabetes.at)

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