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**AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 20 TO TITLE 10 GUAM
CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING A
TASK FORCE ON DIABETES PREVENTION AND
AWARENESS.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. A new Chapter 20 is hereby *added* to Title 10, Guam Code
Annotated, to read:

“Chapter 20

The Task Force on Diabetes Prevention and Awareness

§20000. Title. This Article shall be known, and may be cited as the “Task
Force on Diabetes Prevention and Awareness.”

§20101. Task Force Composition. The Task Force shall be compromised
of the following:

(1) The Director of the Department of Public Health and Social
Services or his designee;

(2) The Director of the Department of Mental Health and Substance
Abuse or his designee;

(3) The Director of the Guam Memorial Hospital or his designee;

1 (4) The Administrator of the Guam Board of Medical Examiners or
2 his designee;

3 (5) The President of the Guam Diabetes Association or his designee;

4 (6) The Superintendent of the Department of Education or his
5 designee;

6 The Director of the Department of Public Health and Substance Abuse shall
7 convene the Task Force until a presiding officer is selected by a majority vote of
8 the membership. The members of the Task Force shall serve without
9 compensation.

10 **§20102. Duties of the Task Force on Diabetes Prevention and**
11 **Awareness.**

12 The Task Force shall meet at the call of the presiding officer and shall study
13 and recommend strategies for addressing the problem of diabetes and issues related
14 to it, including:

15 (1) Risk factors of diabetes;

16 (2) Reducing health care costs associated with diabetes;

17 (3) Promoting individual wellness and healthy communities;

18 (4) Increasing access to health care services;

19 (5) Resolving uncoordinated care;

20 (6) Increasing awareness and need of Certified Diabetes Educators;

21 (7) Community initiatives and public awareness;

22 (8) Promoting education of diabetes;

23 (9) Submit a report with its recommendations to I Maga'lahren Guåhan
24 and I Liheslaturan Guåhan by April 1, 2013. Any further recommendations
25 shall be transmitted annually thereafter.

26 **§20103. Task Force Recommendations.** The Task Force recommendations
27 may include proposals for specific statutory changes and methods to foster

1 cooperation among and improving services of Government of Guam agencies,
2 community-based organizations, and other public and private organizations to
3 address diabetes prevention and awareness on Guam.

4 **§20104. Policies Addressing Diabetes Prevention and Awareness.** The
5 Task Force shall adopt and recommend policies addressing Diabetes Prevention
6 and Awareness. Any policy adopted may address without limitation:

- 7 (1) Risk factors of diabetes;
- 8 (2) Reducing health care costs associated with diabetes;
- 9 (3) Promoting individual wellness and healthy communities;
- 10 (4) Increasing access to health care services;
- 11 (5) Resolving uncoordinated care;
- 12 (6) Increasing awareness and need of Certified Diabetes Educators;
- 13 (7) Community initiatives and public awareness;
- 14 (8) Promoting education of diabetes.”

15 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment into
16 law.