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Diabetes Victoria appoints Holly Piontek Walker to lead Health Policy and government relations

Diabetes Victoria is pleased to announce the appointment of Holly Piontek Walker in the new role of Health Policy and Government Relations Manager, commencing 15 February.

This new position will develop effective health policies for people affected by diabetes, aligned with Diabetes Victoria's vision, purpose and goals.

Ms Piontek Walker will monitor healthcare regulations and health sector trends, develop policies to support the diabetes community, and promote the adoption of healthcare policies.

The new role is responsible for building and maintaining strong relationships with government, policymakers, agencies, and other partners.

Ms Piontek Walker will progress advocacy initiatives that support our purpose of reducing the impact of all types of diabetes on people and health systems across Victoria.

She brings a passion for health policy and reform, advocacy and improving the lives of people affected by or at risk of diabetes.

Holly has over 20 years of experience in state health policy, programs in diabetes and other chronic conditions and strategic planning. Previous roles with the Department of Health included: Director of Population Health, Manager of Policy and Reform, and Prevention Manager.

Diabetes Victoria is delighted to have Ms Piontek Walker lead our health policy and government relations strategies.

Her extensive experience in state health policy, strategic planning, and diabetes programs is an asset to our organisation.

Quotes attributable to CEO Glen Noonan

"We are thrilled to have someone of Holly's calibre leading our work in health policy and government relations. Adopting effective health policies is a critical aspect to achieving our purpose of reducing the impact of all types of diabetes on individuals, families, communities and health systems across Victoria."



“Holly brings a wealth of experience in this space and will represent Diabetes Victoria at pivotal meetings, forums and other events, develop policies to drive change and help us to achieve equitable outcomes for the diabetes community in our state.”

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