

Jewish Senior Life Establishes Diabetes Center of Excellence

Jewish Senior Life announces that it has established a Diabetes Center of Excellence within its transitional care program, providing education and interventions for patients with diabetes who are receiving transitional care after a hospital stay.

“More and more individuals are coming to us with diabetes, so we’ve established this Diabetes Center of Excellence to remain proactive to their needs,” said Mike King, President and CEO of Jewish Senior *Life*. “As a Center of Excellence, we will have a comprehensive diabetic education program for patients and their families, our staff, and the community at large, ensuring all those affected are equipped with the necessary knowledge and skills to successfully care for and manage this disease.”

According to the Centers for Diabetes Control and Prevention, nearly one in 10 people in the United States have diabetes. Diabetics are at a higher risk of developing other complications such as cardiac disease, peripheral vascular disease, foot ulcers and amputations, stroke, peripheral neuropathy, renal disease and blindness. Since many transitional care patients are currently living with diabetes, adding the Center of Excellence will allow Jewish Senior *Life* to better care for these individuals and to become a resource for other members of the community.

As part of the Diabetes Center of Excellence, transitional care at the Jewish Home offers:

- Diabetes educators responsible for designing and directing diabetic self-management education programs
- Individualized care plans for patients
- Tools and ongoing support for patients and their families
- One-on-one and group education for patients, focused on weight management and exercise

Jewish Senior *Life* is the only post-acute rehabilitation provider in a skilled nursing facility in the Rochester area certified by the Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities. That certification means it is held to the highest standards in quality and patient outcomes.

For more information on the Diabetes Center of Excellence at Jewish Senior *Life*, visit www.DiabetesCOE.org.