

## **Life Membership Award Criteria**

### **Purpose**

The Award of a Diabetes New Zealand Life Membership is the most prestigious honour awarded by the organisation. A Life membership is conferred on a person for the rest of their life. Life Memberships are conferred upon any person in recognition and appreciation of outstanding service by that person for the benefit of people with diabetes.

To keep the award of Life Membership a distinguished and exceptional honour, a maximum number of 40 Life Members is permitted at any one time.

### **Criteria**

To be eligible to be elected as an individual Life Member of Diabetes New Zealand, a candidate must fulfil the following conditions:

- Be clearly set apart from the many others who have contributed to diabetes by the nature or the duration of their contribution.
- Have provided exceptional service or contribution, over a period of time, for people with diabetes.
- Have become widely regarded and held in high esteem across the diabetes community.
- Have delivered service beyond the call of duty.

### **Eligibility**

This Award is open to any person whose contribution meets the purpose set out above.

### **Nominations**

There is no limit to the number of nominations that can be put forward.

Nominations for the Award will be advertised annually in the Spring issue of the Wellness magazine and posted on the Diabetes New Zealand website.

Nominations must be forwarded to the Chief Executive of Diabetes New Zealand by the advertised closing date.

Nominations will be considered by a sub-committee appointed by the Advisory Council.

Award winners will be announced in the Summer issue of the Wellness magazine and the Award will be presented to recipients at a suitable occasion – either a Diabetes New Zealand conference or a suitable branch function.