



NZSSD policy on response to requests for endorsement

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This policy covers requests for formal NZSSD endorsement for paper or electronic documents intended to guide policy or practice with respect to care of people with diabetes:

- Guidelines
- Pathways
- Advocacy
- Educational material

A formal response must come from the Executive and be recorded in the minutes of a meeting of the Executive. The Executive can seek advice from anyone they choose. Formal responses can be one of the following: endorsement; support in principle; and decline to endorse or support.

Endorsement

The NZSSD response is: “This document is endorsed by the New Zealand Society for the Study of Diabetes”.

This allows the author/s of the document to include the above statement, accompanied by the NZSSD logo, on their document.

The document should be placed on the NZSSD website with the above statement and a date of endorsement.

Criteria for endorsement are that the Executive, on relevant advice, confirm that:

- the content reflects current evidence
- the content is compatible with New Zealand resources
- the content meets Treaty of Waitangi obligations
- the content meets civic responsibility to equity across all populations.

Support in principle

The NZSSD response is: “The New Zealand Society for the Study of Diabetes supports this document in principle but cannot offer unconditional endorsement”.

An optional additional statement is: “We would be willing to reconsider endorsement if there is the opportunity to modify the document/s to address the following concerns [list].”

The author/s of the document may not include any statement or logo from the NZSSD on their document.

The document can be placed on the NZSSD website with the above statement and the date of the decision. Ideally this would be accompanied by a brief summary of shortfalls of the document with respect to the criteria below.

Criteria for “support in principle” are that the Executive, on relevant advice, confirm that: they agree with the general intent of the document, but the document fails due to one of more of the following:

- The content does not reflect current evidence
- The content is not compatible with New Zealand resources
- The content does not meet Treaty of Waitangi obligations
- The content does not meet civic responsibility to equity across all populations.

Decline to support

The NZSSD response is: “The New Zealand Society for the Study of Diabetes declines to offer formal support for this document”.

The author/s of the document may not include any statement or logo from the NZSSD on their document.

The document is not placed on the NZSSD website.

Criteria for “decline to support” are that the Executive, having taken relevant advice, confirm that they do not agree with the general intent of the document, or that it fails on one of more of the following:

- The content falls outside the scope of NZSSD (such as substantive content about non-diabetes issues)
- The content does not reflect current evidence
- The content is not compatible with New Zealand resources
- The content does not meet Treaty of Waitangi obligations
- The content does not meet civic responsibility to equity across all populations.