



2026

Diabetes Care and Education Specialist of the Year Award

Katelyn O'Brien

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ADCES is proud to announce **Katelyn O'Brien** as the recipient of the **2026 Diabetes Care and Education Specialist of the Year Award**. This award is sponsored by Xeris Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Katelyn is a clinical pharmacy specialist in adult endocrinology at Boston Medical Center, the largest safety net hospital in New England—a place where dedication to underserved communities isn't just a goal, it's a daily reality.

Since becoming a CDCES in 2017, she has focused her work on increasing access to diabetes technologies and advancing the use of therapies for those who need them most.

Her passion for education and advocacy is unmistakable. She has spoken at ADCES state and national conferences, led as co-chair of the Pharmacy Community of Interest, and currently serves as Chair of the Massachusetts Coordinating Body, where her leadership has helped recruit new volunteers and expanded local engagement efforts.

In 2025, she was honored with Boston University's "Continuing Education Outstanding Champion Award"—a well-deserved recognition for her impact.

Katelyn's influence goes beyond direct care. She has been a champion for CGM adoption, playing a key role in building systems and workflows to integrate CGMs into clinical practice—from navigating reimbursement to training providers and incorporating data into electronic health records. And her work co-developing endocrine telementoring sessions has created new space for complex case discussions and shared learning—bringing collaborative, person-centered care to the forefront.

Katelyn brings heart and strategy to everything she does, with a deep commitment to closing gaps in care and empowering both patients and peers.

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