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# USC Physician Anne L. Peters Receives American Diabetes Association's Distinguished Clinician Award

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San Francisco, CA (June 9, 2008) - The American Diabetes Association (ADA), the nation's leading voluntary health organization in the fight against diabetes, announced today that Anne L. Peters, MD, CDE, received the Association's prestigious Outstanding Physician Clinician Award at the organization's 68th Scientific Sessions. Peters is the director of the Westside Center for Diabetes at the University of Southern California and a professor of clinical medicine at the Keck School of Medicine of USC.

The Outstanding Physician Clinician Award is presented to an individual who has made outstanding efforts in diabetes care and is recognized as a highly regarded clinician and educator with more than 10 years of distinguished service.

"On behalf of the American Diabetes Association, we are delighted to present this prestigious award to Dr. Peters," said John Buse, MD, PhD, President, Medicine & Science, of the American Diabetes Association. "Her contributions to the diabetes community and dedication to diabetes care directly support ADA's mission to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people living with diabetes."

Peters manages two diabetes centers, one in the Beverly Hills area and one in the underserved, primarily Latino East Los Angeles, which was highlighted in the PBS series "Remaking American Medicine." She also participates in community-based diabetes and obesity prevention initiatives.

"This is a well deserved award," says Thomas A. Buchanan, M.D. Chief of the Division of Endocrinology and Diabetes at the Keck School of Medicine of USC. "Dr. Peters is one hundred percent dedicated to improving the lives of diabetes patients and one of the leaders of USC diabetes research and care, helping to translate research findings into clinical care."

Dr. Peters' research is focused on improving the delivery of medical care to patients with diabetes, particularly in underserved populations. She is the principal investigator on several diabetes clinical trials, including a grant from the California Nutrition Network, and the National Institutes of Health-funded Look AHEAD (Action for Health in Diabetes) study. She is involved in numerous professional organizations and activities, and has written over 100 publications, including *Conquering Diabetes*, published by Penguin Books, and *Davidson's Diabetes Mellitus, Fifth Edition*. She serves on the editorial board for *ADA's Diabetes Care*, is a reviewer for multiple journals and is on the ABIM Endocrinology and Diabetes Board.

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"I am very honored to receive this award in part because of who I'm compared to," says Peters "At USC, working with patients from both West Los Angeles and the underserved population has given me such a diverse experience, which is really unique."

More than 13,000 top scientists, physicians and other health care professionals from around the world shared cutting-edge research, treatment recommendations and advances toward a cure for diabetes at the Association's 68th Scientific Sessions in San Francisco, CA.

Diabetes is a serious disease that affects the body's ability to produce or respond properly to insulin, a hormone that allows blood sugar to enter the cells of the body and be used for energy. Nearly 21 million children and adults in the United States


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have diabetes. An additional 54 million have pre-diabetes. Diabetes is the fifth leading cause of death by disease in the United States and it has no cure.

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The American Diabetes Association is the nation's premier voluntary health organization supporting diabetes research, information and advocacy. The Association's mission is to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes. Founded in 1940, the Association provides services to hundreds of communities across the country. For more information please call the American Diabetes Association at 1-800-DIABETES (1-800-342-2383) or visit [www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org). Information from both these sources is available in English and Spanish.