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**DIABETES COALITION RECOGNIZED BY NEW YORK STATE PODIATRIC
MEDICAL ASSOCIATION**

The New York State Podiatric Medical Association presented a Special Achievement Award went to the Diabetes Resource Coalition of Long Island in recognition of the outstanding programs the organization has developed about foot health and the importance of podiatric intervention and care for people with diabetes. Susan Wilk, program director, accepted the award on behalf of the Coalition at a dinner hosted by the New York State Podiatric Medical Association's Nassau and Suffolk divisions on February 7th on Long Island.

“The Diabetes Resource Coalition of Long Island has worked closely with podiatrists in the Long Island community since 2001,” remarked Dr. Robert Rampino, president of the New York State Podiatric Medical Association. “The relationship has brought forth many successful, educational programs”. The coalition is an alliance of community based organizations, agencies, businesses and health care professionals committed to identifying resources and raising diabetes awareness through the provision of information and education about the prevention and treatment of diabetes. It was formed in 1998.

The New York State Podiatric Medical Association represents 80% of the podiatrists in New York State and is the largest statewide component of the American Podiatric Medical Association.

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