Hello,

Here at **DECA** (**Diabetes Education & Camping Association**), our goal is to provide a place of belonging for every child with diabetes. We do this by spreading the word about type 1 diabetes camps and improving access to these camps.

You can play a key role by encouraging parents to consider type 1 diabetes camps for their children. For the kids in your practice, these camps can unlock a world of fun and learning.

But we understand that parents may have questions. That's why we created these materials to help start the conversation about the benefits and value of a type 1 diabetes camp.

- The Why Camp? Card: This is a short overview for parents to get a birds-eye view of what camp is and what benefits it may have for their child. This piece can be used to give them a quick introduction to the idea of camp and encourage them to learn more.
- The Why Camp? Brochure: This brochure gives a more detailed overview of camp for more curious parents. In addition to understanding the benefits of camp, parents can read about the efforts that camps take to make sure that children are safe and supported, and they can get some information about the cost of camp.

Both of these resources can help guide your conversation with parents about camp. Parents can also follow the links in each piece to learn more on the DECA website. But your guidance will be invaluable for them. This guide walks you through all the key details about type 1 diabetes camps, potential parental concerns, and more—so you can be well-equipped to support parents in their decision on whether to send their kids to camp.

We thank you for your engagement, and we look forward to supporting the kids in your practice in their camp experience!

Best, The team from DECA



