

# PARTICIPATING CITIES AND EMPLOYERS

## Charleston and Spartanburg, South Carolina

More than 10,000 employees and dependents are eligible to participate in the DTCC in Charleston through five employers: the **City of Charleston, Charleston Water System, Piggly Wiggly Carolina Co., Inc., and the Town of Mt. Pleasant**. **Spartanburg Water**, the water utility and sanitary sewer district in Spartanburg, began offering the program to its 700 insured employees and dependents on November 1, 2006.

## Chicago, Illinois

Four member companies of the **Midwest Business Group on Health (MBGH)**, based in Chicago, are participating in the Diabetes Ten City Challenge as part of its "Taking Control of Your Health" campaign, a multi-year effort to address diabetes and other conditions that represent a significant health issue across the diverse populations, neighborhoods and communities in the seven-county Chicago metropolitan area.

## Colorado Springs, Colorado

The **City of Colorado Springs** joined the Diabetes Ten City Challenge in mid-2006 and invited more than 6,200 City employees, dependents and retirees in the city's health plan eligible to participate to register for the program. The City also participates in the Bridges to Excellence program, sponsored by the Colorado Business Group on Health, which rewards medical providers who demonstrate they deliver quality medical care toward the prevention of diabetes and improving the health of participants.

## Cumberland, Maryland

**Western Maryland Health System (WMHS)** is the leading employer and the major health care provider in Allegany County. WMHS joined the Diabetes Ten City Challenge in 2006 after experiencing cost savings in a year-long internal experiment with a pharmacist-led diabetes management program. WHMS is offering participation in the DTCC to the more than 3,800 employees and dependents in its health insurance plan, including approximately 250 people diagnosed with diabetes.

## Dalton, Georgia

The Northwest Georgia Healthcare Partnership (NGHP) has taken the lead in organizing the Diabetes Ten City Challenge in Northwest Georgia. After joining the program in September 2005 as one of the first two cities selected for participation by the APhA Foundation, NGHP recruited four local employers to participate in the pilot: Dalton Utilities, the City of Dalton, Whitfield County and Hamilton Health Care System.

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## <u>Honolulu, Hawaii</u>

The Hawaii Business Health Council (HBHC) initially offered participation in the Diabetes Ten City Challenge through three HBHC member employers in Honolulu County on Oahu to test it for future expansion. As of December 2006, the DTCC was made available to nearly 8,000 employees and dependents on the island of Oahu among six employers: Outrigger Resort & Hotels, Punahou School, Times Super Markets, Finance Factors, Servco Enterprises and the State of Hawaii, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

#### Los Angeles, California

The **University of Southern California (USC)** offers participation in the Diabetes Ten City Challenge to more than 10,000 employees and dependents who are members of the University's self-insured benefits program. USC is the largest private employer in Los Angeles, with over 17,000 employees.

#### Milwaukee, Wisconsin

The **City of Milwaukee** is making the Diabetes Ten City Challenge available to members of its self-insured benefits program, which covers approximately 20 percent of its 30,000 insured employees, retirees and dependents. Initially, the program is being offered to individuals within that benefits program who already have been diagnosed with diabetes. Of the insured individuals eligible to participate, 40 percent are retirees and their dependents.

#### Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

The **Pittsburgh Business Group on Health (PBGH)**, one of the first two employer groups selected to participate in the Diabetes Ten City Challenge in 2005, offers the DTCC through its LivingMyLife<sup>™</sup> Self-Management Program. The **Giant Eagle Supermarket** chain in Pittsburgh joined the DTCC in the fall of 2006, and is offering participation in the program to 6,000 non-union Giant Eagle employees.

## <u> Tampa Bay, Florida</u>

Two municipal government entities in the Tampa Bay area, the **Manatee County Government** and the **Pinellas County Sheriff's Office**, were selected to participate in the Diabetes Ten City Challenge in 2006. Participation was offered to approximately 7,600 employees and dependents insured through Manatee County's Manatee Choice Health Plan; and to the nearly 7,000 employees and dependents covered by the Pinnellas County Sheriff's Office health insurance plan, including approximately 500 retirees.

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## For details on the participating cities and employers, go to DTTC Local Fact Sheets.

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