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## COVER LETTER

**SUBJECT: Florida Diabetes Alliance, Inc.**

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

\$70.00	\$78.75	\$78.75	<u>\$87.50</u>
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**ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED**

**FROM:**

Mr. Mike Hill, Executive Director  
NW Florida/Big Bend Health Councils, Inc.  
.431 Oak Avenue  
Panama City, FL 32401  
850.872.4128  
E-mail address: mhill@bbhcfl.org

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

In compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., (Not for Profit)

### **ARTICLE I NAME**

Florida Diabetes Alliance, Inc.

### **ARTICLE II PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

Principal street address

Florida Diabetes Alliance, Inc.

431 Oak Avenue

Panama City, Florida 32401

Mailing address, if different is:

Florida Diabetes Alliance, Inc.

431 Oak Avenue

Panama City, Florida 32401

### **ARTICLE III PURPOSE**

The Florida Diabetes Alliance, Inc. serves all people with diabetes. The general purpose and mission of the Florida Diabetes Alliance, Inc. is a statewide partnership of health care professionals, health care facilities, insurers, community based organizations, faith based organizations and interested individuals or entities who wish to work together to build local community networks and to communicate ideas and best practices that promote quality and access to diabetes prevention, education, and care resources. These local activities strengthen the state diabetes health system and improve public health in Florida.

The Florida Diabetes Alliance, Inc is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes to promote diabetes prevention, education, and care issues. It provides community assessment, intervention, monitoring and evaluation for four focus areas.

1. Primary prevention of diabetes
2. Diabetes, self-management
3. School Health for diabetes children
4. Policy and advocacy to improve access to diabetes care and services for all residents in Florida.

The Florida Diabetes Alliance, Inc. may make distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code to meet the aforementioned goals of the Florida Diabetes Alliance, Inc.

To operate exclusively in any other manner for such charitable, educational, and societal purposes as will qualify it as an exempt organization under 501(C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended, or under any corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal Tax Laws, covering the distributions to organizations qualified as tax exempt organizations under the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, including private foundations and private operating foundations. Said corporation/organization is organized exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or the corresponding section of any future Federal tax code).

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No part of the net earnings of the corporation/organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation/organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of Section 501(c) (3) purposes. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation/organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation/organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation/organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation/organization exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code) or (b) by a corporation/organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code.)

Upon the dissolution of this corporation/organization assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

However, if the named recipient is not then in existence or no longer a qualified distributee, or unwilling or unable to accept the distribution, then the assets of this corporation/organization shall be distributed to a fund, foundation or corporation organized and operated exclusively for the purposes specified in Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code.)

#### **ARTICLE IV INITIAL OFFICERS AND/OR DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors of the Florida Diabetes Alliance, Inc. is composed of officers including a Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and immediate Past-Chair and up to seven At-large members, which comprise twelve elected board members. Additional Ex-Officio members can be appointed by the chair as determined by the Board.

#### **Officers**

- Chair: Kathy Mulcahy, RN, MSN, CDE, Interested Citizen, Bradenton, FL
- Chair Elect: Tammie Johnson, Assistant Professor, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL
- Secretary: Rita Diaz-Kennedy RD, CDE, Interested Citizen, Brandon, FL
- Treasurer: Mike Hill, Northwest Florida and Big Bend Health Council, Panama, FL

**ARTICLE V REGISTERED AGENT**

Name: Mike Hill  
Address: NWFL/Big Bend Health Councils, Inc  
431 Oak Avenue  
Panama City, FL 32401

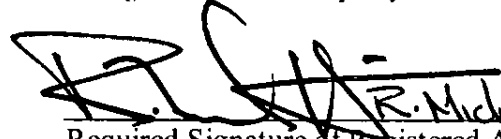
**ARTICLE VI INCORPORATOR**

Name: Kathryn A Mulcahy  
Address: 509 River Crane St  
Bradenton, FL 34212

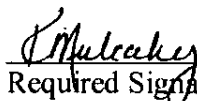
**ARTICLE VII EFFECTIVE DATE**

Effective Date: February 1, 2012

*Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity*

  
R. Michael Hill 01/14/2013  
Required Signature of Registered Agent Date

*I submit this document and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.*

 KATHRYN A. MULCAHY 01/18/2013  
Required Signature of Incorporator Date

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