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| **Additional file 1. Summary of organisations that will be approached to identify participants** | | | |
| **Organisation name** | **Coverage** | **Stakeholders** | **Mode of contact requested** |
| Diabetes UK | UK | Patients and health care professionals | Email to registered members  Link on main website  Link via Facebook page  Link on twitter  e-newsletter |
| European Association for the Study of Diabetes | Europe | Health Care Professionals | Email to registered members  Link on main website  Link via Facebook page  Link on twitter |
| International Diabetes Federation | Africa  Europe  Middle East and North Africa  North America and Caribbean  South and Central America  South East Asia  Western Pacific | Patients and health care professionals | Email to registered members  Link on Facebook page  Link on twitter |
| American Diabetes Association | North America | Health care professionals  Patients | Email to members  Online community for patients  (<http://community.diabetes.org/home>)  Link on Facebook page  Link on twitter  Diabetes Forecast Magazine (published monthly online and in print <http://www.diabetesforecast.org/about-forecast/editorial-contacts.html>) |
| Diabetes Canada | Canada | Health Care professionals  patients | Monthly e-newsletter  Email to professional members  Email to patient members  Link on Facebook page  Link on twitter |
| British Dietetic Association | UK | Health Care Professionals | Email to members (specialist group for diabetes)  <http://www.diabetesdietitians.org.uk/contact/>  Link on Facebook page  Link on twitter |
| The British Psychological Society | UK | Health Care Professionals | Email to members.  Link on Facebook page  Link on twitter |
| International Union of Nutritional Sciences | Europe  Middle East and North Africa  North America and Caribbean  South and Central America  South East Asia  Western Pacific | Researchers an health care professionals | Email to each of the adhering bodies registered with the IUNS http://www.iuns.org/adhering-bodies/ |