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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 membersLink on main websiteLink via Facebook pageLink on twittere-newsletter |
| European Association for the Study of Diabetes | Europe | Health Care Professionals | Email to registered membersLink on main websiteLink via Facebook pageLink on twitter |
| International Diabetes Federation | AfricaEuropeMiddle East and North AfricaNorth America and CaribbeanSouth and Central AmericaSouth East AsiaWestern Pacific | Patients and health care professionals | Email to registered membersLink on Facebook pageLink on twitter |
| American Diabetes Association | North America | Health care professionalsPatients | Email to membersOnline community for patients (<http://community.diabetes.org/home>)Link on Facebook pageLink on twitterDiabetes 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-newsletterEmail to professional membersEmail to patient membersLink on Facebook pageLink 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 pageLink on twitter |
| The British Psychological Society | UK | Health Care Professionals | Email to members. Link on Facebook pageLink on twitter |
| International Union of Nutritional Sciences  | EuropeMiddle East and North AfricaNorth America and CaribbeanSouth and Central AmericaSouth East AsiaWestern Pacific | Researchers an health care professionals | Email to each of the adhering bodies registered with the IUNS http://www.iuns.org/adhering-bodies/ |