### **Community Awareness Campaign Report [Semester 6]**

Group Number: B7 & B8

Contact Person (for follow-up): +201062593340 (Saad Zahem)

Title of Health Issue Covered: Diabetic neuropathy

# Key Messages Delivered to the Public:

- 1. Dangers of neglecting diabetes
- 2. Neurologic symptoms
- 3. How to prevent neuropathic complications
- 4. Life-style changes
- 5. Self-monitoring
- 6. Importance of seeking medical advice

# **Campaign Locations:**

| Location & Date   | Why chosen?   | Estimated number of people reached | Type of audience<br>(e.g., children, elderly, general<br>public) |
|---|---|------------------------------------|--|
| SMH Neurology clinics<br>(April 9 <sup>th</sup> )         | To target diabetic patients   | 70                                 | Elderly  |
| Geziret Elward Sporting Club<br>(April 10 <sup>th</sup> ) | To reach more people and<br>allow the message to enter<br>more houses | 100                                | General public   |

#### Materials and Methods Used:

| Educational Materials Used<br>(e.g., brochures, posters, infographics): | Brochures and posters.  |
|---|---|
| Interactive Tools   | Videos, games, and giveaways. We also brought a glucometer to |
| (e.g., models, videos, games, giveaways):                               | both places to let people measure their blood glucose.        |

| Approach Used to Communicate<br>(e.g., one-to-one discussion, group sessions): | One-to-one discussion and online posts.  |
|--|--|
| Language/Style Adaptations Made for the Target Audience:                       | Language was mostly Egyptian Arabic; however, we used<br>different dialects to match certain individuals. We had to make<br>sure we kept phrases simple. |

### **Observations and Feedback**

- Public Reaction and Engagement: The public were engaged in the activities and absorbed the message quite effectively.
- Any Questions Frequently Asked by the Audience: Is diabetic neuropathy for any or just who have DM.
- Feedback Received (if any):

No negative feedback was received. All was happy with our campaign, and it was very interesting for all people.

## **Challenges Faced:**

- Any Logistical, Communication, or Public Engagement Challenges: There were no logistical, communication, or public engagement challenges. Everything was smooth.
- How the Group Managed or Adapted to These Challenges: There were no challenges. We divided ourselves into groups and each group talked to a group of people. Everyone had been aware of our campaign

## **Lessons Learned**

- What the Group Learned from the Campaign:
  We learned about the importance of the selection of the topic and the corresponding target group.
  We also learned about how to adapt our way of delivering the message to maximize the outcome.
- Suggestions for Improvement in Future Campaigns: It is important to ensure that the effect of such a campaign lasts for a longer time. There should be a way for interested individuals to learn more about the topic.

#### **Visual Documentation:**

• Attach 2–4 Photos from the Campaign (with captions):





Figure 2: group photo taken at Geziret Elward

Figure 1: measuring blood sugar of participants





This Community Awareness Campaign was prepared & reported by a student team of the Class of 2027, under the supervision of Dr Hosam Hamed (Semester 6 Chief Tutor), Prof. Rafik Barakat (Phase 2 Director), and Prof. Ahmed Negm (MMPME Program Director).

Figure 3: group photo at neurology clinics

**Prof Rafik Barakat** Phase 2 Director

**Prof Ahmed Negm** MMPME Program Director