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## Press Release



### For Immediate Release

#### **World Diabetes Day 14 November**

World Diabetes Day on 14 November 2009 will focus on diabetes education and prevention, aiming to teach people about the disease, empower those managing the disease and encourage those at risk to take the necessary measures to avoid it altogether<sup>1</sup>.

Diabetes complications can be very serious and gravely affect someone living with the condition.

These complications can include kidney disease, vision disorders, heart disease, stroke and other conditions that can lead to gangrene, ulcers and amputation<sup>2</sup>.

However, living with diabetes complications does not have to mean the loss of independence.

Service providers like Tunstall Healthcare, offers a 24 hour response service that allows people living with chronic conditions to maintain their independence, knowing that help is available at the press of a button, if and when they need it.

Tunstall's new Connect + personal alarm can easily be activated, putting the resident in immediate contact with Tunstall's 24 hour response centre that can organise the necessary assistance.

Tunstall's response centre has a database of basic medical history for each client, so if an ambulance needs to be called they can be briefed on the situation and urgency.

The Tunstall Connect + can also be interfaced with a range of devices such as the fall detector.

Ideal for people with declining vision or in a frail condition, the fall detector senses falls and automatically notifies the response centre that the wearer needs assistance.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.worlddiabetesday.org/en/the-campaign/diabetes-education-and-prevention>

<sup>2</sup> [http://www.healthinsite.gov.au/topics/Complications\\_of\\_Diabetes](http://www.healthinsite.gov.au/topics/Complications_of_Diabetes)

Supporting people living with chronic conditions, Tunstall Healthcare can create custom solutions to allow someone with special or ongoing needs to maintain their safety and independence in the home.

To find out more about Tunstall's telehealthcare solutions visit [www.tunstallhealthcare.com.au](http://www.tunstallhealthcare.com.au) or call 1300 760 333.

To find out more about more about World Diabetes Day visit <http://www.worlddiabetesday.org>.

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#### **About Tunstall Healthcare**

With over 2.5 million users globally, Tunstall is the market leading provider of telecare and telehealth solutions. Across Australia Tunstall's solutions support older people and those with long term needs to live independently, by effectively managing their health and wellbeing. Tunstall provides technology, expertise and advice to millions of people enabling them to lead independent more fulfilling lives. For more information on how telecare and telehealth can improve quality of life, visit [www.tunstallhealthcare.com.au](http://www.tunstallhealthcare.com.au)