Because of the cancellation of the in-person ISPAE-ISPAD 2020 meeting planned to be held at Chandigarh, India due to the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic, an online Pediatric Diabetes Update-2020 (PDU2020) was organized with support from the Indian Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Endocrinology (ISPAE), International Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Diabetes (ISPAD) and Association of Diabetes Educators (ADE) on 20th, 21st and 22nd November 2020. The 3-day event covered topics ranging from basic sciences to advanced technologies in type 1 diabetes and discussions on important aspects of type 2 diabetes, neonatal diabetes, and other rarer types of diabetes. A dedicated half-day session for allied health professionals on practical aspects of type 1 diabetes management and a symposium for general pediatricians covering obesity and metabolic syndrome completed the whole spectrum of childhood diabetes and related disorders.

The event saw a total of 1787 registrations, more than 500 log-ins for live sessions, and the Facebook live streaming reached more than 1000 participants. The delegates were from India, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Kuwait. Overseas faculty for the meeting included Drs Gregory Forlenza (Denver, Colorado), Priya Prahalad (Stanford, California), Kate Gajewska (Dublin, Ireland), Debra Sadie, Anna-Pham Short (Sydney, Australia) and Steven James (Sunshine Coast, Australia). A host of Indian faculty including pediatric endocrinologist, dieticians and diabetes educators participated in the meeting.

The content of the meeting, the selection of speakers, and adherence to timing were highly appreciated by the participants.