

Commission on Dietetic Registration Strategic Plan

Vision

The Commission on Dietetic Registration protects and promotes the health of the public by supporting practitioner competence, quality practice, diversity, equity, lifelong-learning, and career advancement.

Mission

The Commission on Dietetic Registration administers valid, reliable, and rigorous credentialing processes to meet the professional needs of credentialed practitioners and their employers and to protect the public.

Values

The Commission on Dietetic Registration incorporates the following values to realize the Mission and Vision:

- Inclusivity* – Make decisions with consideration for all
- Innovation* – Embrace change with creativity and strategic thinking
- Integrity* – Act ethically and with accountability

Strategic Focus

The Commission on Dietetic Registration focuses its efforts on Credentialing, Practice Area Competence, and Stewardship.

A. Credentialing	B. Practice Area Competence	C. Stewardship
<p>Maintain credentialing and assessment systems that are relevant to the practice continuum and marketplace.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop and administer entry-level examinations for the registered dietitian (RD) or registered dietitian nutritionist (RDN) and dietetic technician, registered (DTR) or nutrition and dietetics technician, registered (NDTR) credentials using the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) validated test methodology. 2. Collaborate with the Academy and other organizations to assess the need for and expand access to specialist and advanced practitioner certifications. 3. Develop and administer specialist and advanced practice certification examinations for registered dietitians (RDs) or registered dietitian nutritionists (RDNs) using the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) validated test methodology. 4. Partner with Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) and Nutrition and Dietetic Educators and Preceptors (NDEP) to align education and credentials. 5. Collaborate with the Academy Council on Future Practice (CFP) regarding career development from competent through expert practice. 	<p>Ensure ongoing maintenance and advancement of knowledge and skills needed by credentialed practitioners.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide self-assessment tools to enable and verify continued competence of credentialed practitioners. 2. Maintain a mechanism to monitor, adjudicate and resolve lapses in credentialing compliance. 3. Align credentials with empirical definitions of current practice at all levels (competent, proficient, expert) based on audits and other assessment results. 4. Develop content criteria and policies to ensure the quality of continuing education. 5. Provide high quality education and resources to credentialed nutrition and dietetics practitioner in a variety of topic areas, focusing on areas for which CDR is a steward. 	<p>Invest resources in credentialing, marketing, and research.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promote diversity and advancement of students and credentialed practitioners through funding of grants and scholarships. 2. Communicate the value of credentialed practitioners to key stakeholders. 3. Support research initiatives. 4. Monitor workforce demand by utilizing qualitative and quantitative methods. 5. Maintain fiduciary responsibilities to manage assets in accordance with Academy bylaws. 6. Manage business and operations in accordance with CDR policies to support organizational structure and integrity. 7. Support the integrity, application, and usage of nutrition care processes and standards to bolster interoperable exchange of health information for high quality people centered care and outcomes.