

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, learning activities, 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, Recertification and Compliance, and Stewardship.

A. Credentialing	B. Recertification and Compliance	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 of Nutrition and Dietetics (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 the Academy’s Nutrition and Dietetic Educators and Preceptors (NDEP) Practice Excellence Group to align education and credentials. 	<p>Ensure ongoing maintenance and advancement of knowledge and skills needed by credentialed practitioners.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Support practitioners to uphold ethical principles and conduct, maintain competence, and advance high-quality dietetics practice through recertification and compliance. 2. Maintain a mechanism to monitor, adjudicate and resolve lapses in credentialing compliance. 3. Provide overarching standards for the RD and DTR credentials through the Essential Practice Competencies, providing a structured framework to identify, evaluate, and develop behaviors essential for continuing competence. 4. Develop content criteria and policies to ensure the quality of continuing education. 5. Provide high quality education and resources to credentialed practitioners in a variety of topic areas, focusing on areas for which CDR is a steward. 6. Elevate the role of credentialed practitioners within the healthcare team by engaging as an active member organization in Joint Accreditation for Interprofessional Continuing Education and recognizing the value of interprofessional continuing education (IPCE). 	<p>Invest resources in credentialing, the profession, communications, marketing, projects and research.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Support and promote CDR funded scholarships, awards, grants and stipends. 2. Communicate the value of credentialed practitioners to key stakeholders. 3. Support dietetic projects and research initiatives, and licensure compact. 4. Support workforce capacity and 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.