

Commission on Dietetic Registration Vision

Nutrition and dietetics credentialing protects and improves the health of the public and supports practitioner competence, quality practice, lifelong learning and career advancement.

Mission

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

Values

Customer focus – Meet the needs and exceed the expectations of all customers

Integrity – Act ethically with accountability for life-long learning and commitment to excellence

Innovation – Embrace change with creativity and strategic thinking

Social Responsibility – Make decisions with consideration for inclusivity as well as environmental, economic and social implications

A. Relevant Credentialing Systems

Ensure CDR's credentialing and assessment systems are relevant to the practice continuum and marketplace through multiple pathways and certifications.

1. Collaborate with ACEND and NDEP to align education and credentials.
2. Collaborate with the Academy regarding the career continuum from competent through expert practice.*
3. Collaborate with the Academy on the development of specialist and advanced practice certifications.
4. Explore collaborating with other credentialing organizations to expand access to specialty certifications.

B. Practice Research

Gain a comprehensive understanding of the knowledge, skills and tasks of credentialed practitioners now and in the future.

1. Conduct practice audits to empirically define current practice at all levels.
2. Monitor workforce demand utilizing the quantitative model and environmental scans.
3. Examine the alignment of credentials with practice areas.

C. Stewardship

Invest CDR's resources in credentialing, education, marketing and research.

1. Strengthen the self-assessment and continued competency of credentialed nutrition and dietetics practitioners through recertification.
2. Promote the diversity of credentialed nutrition and dietetics practitioners.
3. Educate nutrition and dietetics practitioners, other professionals and policy makers about the preparedness of CDR-credentialed practitioners to protect and improve the health of the public.
4. Invest in practice outcomes research initiatives.