

**DIE 6516 – Professional Development in Dietetics  
Summer 2014 – Section 7473**

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**Class Meeting Time:** Tuesday, Period 7-E1 (except as noted in class schedule)  
5:00-8:15 PM (except as noted in class schedule)  
**Class Location:** Dietetics Lab  
**Attendance:** Required  
**Credits:** 2

**Prerequisites:** Successful completion of DIE 6938.

**Co-Requisites:** DIE 6944.

**Course Description:** Professional development assessment, planning and evaluation for future dietetics professionals.

**Objectives:** Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Create a professional development plan that reflects consideration of professional goals and assessment of current knowledge and skills that were identified from conducting a formal needs assessment and that meets the requirements for continuing professional development set by the Commission on Dietetic Registration.
- Complete an employment interview with a prospective employer that incorporates best practices in preparing for and participating in an employment interview, and conduct a self-assessment/critique of the interview.
- Demonstrate an understanding of coding and billing for reimbursement of nutrition services by developing educational materials for practitioners and apply what you have learned, as appropriate, when working in rotations where reimbursement for services has been established.
- Differentiate between the Standards of Practice and the Standards of Professional Performance and assess practice-based scenarios for compliance with these standards.
- Supervise the integration of financial, human, physical and material resources and services to organize and conduct a professional development conference that focuses on contemporary topics/issues of importance to nutrition and dietetics professionals.
- Perform self-assessment by indicating the level of competency achieved for all dietetics practice competencies, including the Nutrition Education and Wellness concentration, using a competency evaluation scoring matrix and a professional portfolio that references examples of work that demonstrate competency achievement.
- Differentiate between state licensure for dietitians/nutritionists and dietetic registration, apply state licensure laws to case scenarios to determine the implications, and identify and report potential examples of unlicensed activity.

**Objectives (continued)**

- Identify situations in dietetics work settings that could result in medical errors and formulate strategies for preventing medical errors in dietetics practice settings.
- Describe the credentialing process for registered dietitians and implement the steps needed to complete the credentialing process.
- Recognize the importance of leadership to the profession, reflect upon personal leadership capabilities, create a personal leadership vision and identify opportunities for leadership.
- Demonstrate competency to practice as a dietitian through successful (70% or higher) completion of an exam covering test specifications similar to those used for the National Registration Examination for Dietitians.

**Required Texts/Readings:** There is no textbook for this course. Assigned readings will come from the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics website ([www.eatright.org](http://www.eatright.org)), professional journals and other appropriate resources. (Sample readings are listed at the end of syllabus.) Some course information and materials will be posted on Sakai (at <http://lss.at.ufl.edu>; see below for access information).

**Student Evaluation:**

Due to the nature of this course, attendance is required. (Exceptions will be made for excused absences as defined below. Students assigned to sites that are farther away than Ocala or Lake City will attend using an alternative medium such as Skype.) Thirty points will be subtracted from your total score for each class not attended. Excused absences are at the discretion of the instructor and must be arranged prior to the start of the class period. An “excused absence” is any unavoidable, unplanned situation such as an illness, death in the family, or car accident. However, to be fair to all students proof of the illness is required (e.g., note from physician or clinic; vague notes such as “was seen” are not acceptable), death (e.g., obituary), accident (e.g., police report), etc. Please notify the instructor about your situation as soon as possible. If the instructor is not available, please leave a message.

<b>Performance Indicators</b>	<b>Points</b>
Professional Development Plan (Using CDR Professional Portfolio Guide)	50
Personal Professional Portfolio and Competency Matrix	50
Professional Development Conference (instructor evaluation of all aspects of program planning and execution and written report/evaluation (includes peer evaluation - letter grade and justification of grade for each co-worker)	125
Medical Errors Program Attendance/Completion and Contributions to Class Discussion	25
SOP/SOPP Quiz	15
Leadership Assessment, Reflection and Vision	25
Job Interview List of Questions and Self-Critique	S/U
Unlicensed Activity Report	S/U
Simulated Registration Examination for Dietitians and Completed CDR Eligibility Forms*	250
Total	<b>540</b>

\*Students must earn a score of 70% or higher (175 pts). Students who do not achieve this level of performance will be required to repeat the exam as specified in the Dietetic Internship Handbook and Policy and Procedure Manual.

Grading scale: (Grades will not be curved.)

A = 505-540 93.34-100%	A- = 486-504 90-93.33%	B+ = 468-485 86.68-89.9%	B = 450-467 83.34-86.67%	B- = 432-449 80-83.33%
C+ = 414-431 76.68-79.9%	C = 396-413 73.34-76.67%	C- = 378-395 70-73.33%	D+ = 360-377 66.68-69.9%	D = 342-359 63.34-66.67%
D- = 324-341 60-63.33%	E = <324 <60%			

All assignments must be typed. All assignments must be submitted by 5:00 PM on the day they are due. Beginning with the due date, course work turned in late will be penalized by deducting 10% per day from the total value of the assignment.

**Student Preparation for Class:** Students are expected to complete reading assignments in advance. Class preparation may require use of the Internet, library and/or other reference materials. Students are expected to bring materials printed from E-Learning or other sites to class.

**How to Access E-Learning:**

- Access requires a Gatorlink account. If you need to establish a Gatorlink account, go to <http://www.gatorlink.ufl.edu/>.
- Once you have created a Gatorlink account, access e-Learning Support Services homepage at <http://lss.at.ufl.edu>. Select “e-Learning Login”. Log in using your Gatorlink ID. DIE 6516 should be listed under “My Workspace”. If you are unfamiliar with e-Learning in Sakai, select “Student Tutorials & FAQs from the menu.

**Online Course Evaluation Process**

Student assessment of instruction is an important part of efforts to improve teaching and learning. At the end of the semester, students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course using a standard set of university and college criteria. These evaluations are conducted online at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu>. Evaluations are typically open for students to complete during the last two or three weeks of the semester; students will be notified of the specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results>.

**Academic Honesty**

As a student at the University of Florida, you have committed yourself to uphold the Honor Code, which includes the following pledge: *“We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.”* You are expected to exhibit behavior consistent with this commitment to the UF academic community, and on all work submitted for credit at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: *“On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.”*

It is assumed that you will complete all work independently in each course unless the instructor provides explicit permission for you to collaborate on course tasks (e.g. assignments, papers, quizzes, exams). Furthermore, as part of your obligation to uphold the Honor Code, you should report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. It is your individual responsibility to know and comply with all university policies and procedures regarding academic integrity and the Student Honor Code. Violations of the Honor Code at the University

of Florida will not be tolerated. Violations will be reported to the Dean of Students Office for consideration of disciplinary action. For more information regarding the Student Honor Code, please see: <http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code>.

**Software Use:**

All faculty, staff and students of the university are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against university policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate.

**Students with Disabilities**

The Disability Resource Center coordinates the needed accommodations of students with disabilities. This includes registering disabilities, recommending academic accommodations within the classroom, accessing special adaptive computer equipment, providing interpretation services and mediating faculty-student disability related issues. Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Contact information: 0001 Reid Hall, 392-8565, [www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/](http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/)

**Campus Helping Resources**

Students experiencing crises or personal problems that interfere with their general wellbeing are encouraged to utilize the university’s counseling resources. The Counseling & Wellness Center provides confidential counseling services at no cost for currently enrolled students. Resources are available on campus for students having personal problems or lacking clear career or academic goals, which interfere with their academic performance.

Service	Location	Phone	Web site	Services provided
University Counseling and Wellness Center	3190 Radio Road	352-392-1575	<a href="http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/">www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Counseling Services</li> <li>▪ Groups and Workshops</li> <li>▪ Outreach and Consultation</li> <li>▪ Self-Help Library</li> <li>▪ Wellness Coaching</li> </ul>
Career Resource Center	First Floor J. Wayne Reitz Union	352-392-1601	<a href="http://www.crc.ufl.edu">www.crc.ufl.edu</a>	Career development assistance and counseling

**Other Information:** Lecture material and information are the property of the University of Florida and the course instructor and may not be used for any commercial purpose. Students found in violation may be subject to disciplinary action under the University’s Student Conduct Code. Only students formally registered for the course are permitted to attend lectures and take quizzes/tests.

**Email:** Students are required to check their email account(s) daily (at least Monday through Friday) and respond to course/program related requests, inquiries, etc. in a timely manner.

## Assignments

### **Employment Interview**

Prepare for an employment interview based on the information learned from the class on preparing for behavioral interviews, the employer round table discussion, the Sodexo Webinar, and assigned readings. Schedule an interview with a prospective employer of registered dietitians, preferably for a position you are seeking. (If you are not seeking a position or have not found a particular position that you would like to fill, schedule an interview with an employer in an area of dietetics that is of interest to you.) Research the organization and information about the position or similar positions. Prepare an outline of the questions you have about the position, facility, etc., and submit it to your instructor at least one week prior to the scheduled interview. Bring your portfolio to the interview (even if it is not ready for your final submission) and your résumé to the interview and be prepared to show and explain examples of your work as appropriate. Critique your performance in narrative style, commenting on your comfort level, adequacy of preparation for the interview, ability to answer questions, your ability to draw on examples of work from your portfolio and internship experiences during the interview, ability to discuss/negotiate salary and benefits (e.g., AND membership, support for CPE/professional development, salary, etc as appropriate), what you think went particularly well, what you would do differently, what surprised you (if anything) and any other relevant critiques of your performance. Submit your questions and self-critique along with a cover page that includes the name of the facility, person(s) with whom you interviewed (include credentials), the position for which you interviewed, the date of the interview, type of interview (i.e., in person vs Skype, phone or other medium) and the position description/job announcement.

Assignment:

Due Date:

Assigned readings	In preparation for class on April 21 & May 1, as well as the employment interview assignment
Attend class on preparing for behavioral interviews	April 21
Attend employer round table discussion and ask questions	May 1
Complete the Sodexo Webinar: "From Resume to Interview" <a href="http://www.sodexodietitianscareers.com/webinar.html">http://www.sodexodietitianscareers.com/webinar.html</a> ; submit a list the key take-away messages (by email) you gleaned from this webinar	No later than May 20
List of questions to ask during your interview	One week prior to scheduled interview
Complete employment interview	Aug 1
Self-critique (with cover sheet) of your interview	Aug 5 – last day to submit

### **Coding and Billing for Reimbursement**

Read assigned articles/Web sites and attend the class on coding and billing. Develop a handout that could be used to teach new dietetics practitioners about the coding and billing process. Include at least one case example that could be used to give practitioners an idea of the types of nutrition services for which reimbursement could occur, what needs to be documented to qualify for reimbursement, appropriate codes to use for the types of nutrition services rendered, etc. Provide a second case example and answer key that could be used to assess comprehension of the process. Apply what you have learned, as appropriate, when working in rotations where reimbursement for services has been established.

Assignment	Due Date
Read article	Prior to submitting assignment
Attend class	May 12
Coding and billing handout with case studies	May 27

### **Standards of Practice and Standards of Professional Performance**

Read the Academy's 2012 Standards of Practice and Standards of Professional Performance (SOP/SOPP). Information about the 2012 SOP/SOPP can also be obtained through an online seminar (Academy Scope of Practice for RDs or RDNs and DTRs: What Educators and Students Need to Know) available at <http://www.eatright.org/cpd/online/>. (You must read the document, but completing the webinar is optional.)

Assignment:	Due Date:
Read Standards of Practice and Standards of Professional Performance	Prior to class
Complete and review online quiz	May 27 (during class)

### **Licensure Unlicensed Activity Report**

Demonstrate an understanding of licensure rules and regulations by working through licensure case scenario questions in class. Know where to obtain information about licensure including the licensure application. Understand the importance of reporting unlicensed activity. Identify one or more cases of suspected unlicensed activity and complete an unlicensed activity report. Submit the report to your instructor along with a justification for making the report. Include relevant documentation.

Assignment:	Due Date:
Licensure case scenarios quiz	June 10 (in class)
Unlicensed activity report, documentation and justification for making the report	July 22 (last day to submit)

### **Developing Your Role as a Leader**

Read assigned articles on leadership. Complete a leadership skills/strength assessment (may require purchase). Engage in classroom activities related to leadership and be prepared to respond to discussion questions about leadership. Complete a personal assessment and reflection related to opportunities for personal leadership development and create a vision for personal leadership in providing health care services.

Assignment:	Due Date:
Complete assigned readings prior to class; complete leadership/strength assessments surveys (bring completed assessments to class (or complete in class as directed); contribute to class discussion	July 1
Written leadership narrative that includes self-assessment, reflection and vision for personal leadership in providing health care services	July 15

**Current Issues in Professional Development: Medical Errors**

Read assigned articles on medical errors and attend the lecture/complete an online course that satisfies the Florida licensure requirement for training in the prevention of medical errors (see below). I am suggesting the online course available at: <http://www.pdresources.org>. The title of the course is: Preventing Medical Errors in Nutrition and Dietetics. The cost is \$49.00 for the online version (if you didn't purchase the course when I sent you a discount coupon email in January). If you did not purchase the online course in advance, you can try using the following discount code, JDA10. The code should give you a 10% discount. Alternatively, if you plan to attend the Florida Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Annual Symposium, you can register for the live course for \$40.00 (early bird registration – on or before June 2; registration for the rest of the meeting is separate and costs \$65). The program will be held on Sunday, July 13, 2014, from 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM in Fort Lauderdale. Submit a copy of your certificate of completion of the training to me. As part of a group discussion on the prevention of medical errors, each student is expected to share examples of preventive measures taken to safeguard against medical errors observed during rotations; describe potential medical errors that could occur due to the absence of appropriate safeguards related to nutrition and dietetics; and share examples of medical errors observed (if applicable) during rotations and strategies for preventing them in the future. The following are excerpts from the Dietetics and Nutrition Practice Act.

**64B8-42.005 Additional Educational Requirements for Initial Licensure.**

- (1) Each applicant for initial licensure shall confirm completion of a two-hour course on the prevention of medical errors, including a study of root-cause analysis, error reduction and prevention, and patient safety. If the course is being offered by a facility licensed pursuant to Chapter 395, F.S., for its employees, up to one hour of the two-hour course may be specifically related to error reduction and prevention methods used in that facility.
- (2) Courses approved by any Board within the Division of Medical Quality Assurance of the Department of Health pursuant to Section 456.013(7), F.S., are recommended by the Council and approved by the Board.

*Specific Authority 456.013(7) FS. Law Implemented 456.013(7) FS. History–New 7-22-02, Amended 1-8-07.*

**64B8-45.006 Continuing Education on HIV/AIDS.**

- (1) For the first renewal of licensure, licensees must complete a three hour course on Human Immunodeficiency Virus and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) within the 24-month period prior to the expiration date of the license.
- (2) Each course on HIV/AIDS shall meet the requirements of Section 456.033, F.S.
- (3) Courses approved by any Board within the Division of Medical Quality Assurance of the Department of Health pursuant to Section 456.033, F.S., are recommended by the Council and approved by the Board.

*Specific Authority 456.033 FS. Law Implemented 456.033 FS. History–New 6-12-01, Amended 7-22-02, 1-8-07.*

*Florida Administrative Code. CHAPTER 64B8-40 Dietetics and Nutrition Practice Council. <https://www.flrules.org/gateway/Department.asp?DeptID=64> Accessed 05/07/2010.*

Assignment:	Due Date:
Completion of Medical Errors Course that meets Florida licensure requirements; submission of Certificate of Completion	July 13
Reading and Class Discussion	July 22

### **Professional Development Plan**

Complete a needs assessment (including self-reflection step) and develop a Professional Development Plan (steps 1-3) using the Professional Development Portfolio Guide available on the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) website (<http://www.cdrnet.org/pdrcenter/>).

Assignment:	Due Date:
Self-reflection	July 8 (complete during class)
Needs assessment	July 8 (complete during class)
Professional Development Plan	July 8 (complete during class)
Complete CDR Registration Eligibility Forms	July 8 (complete during class)

### **Simulated Registration Examination for Dietitians**

Assignment:	Due Date:
Participate in Simulated Registration Examination Challenge Session – Part 1	April 23
Participate in Simulated Registration Examination Challenge Session – Part 2	July 15
Complete Simulated Exam	July 18

### **Professional Development Conference – Implementation of Business Plan - Group Project**

Implement the business plan you developed in DIE 6938. Finalize all aspects of your plan according to your timeline, execute your plan, evaluate the outcome of your conference, and prepare a final report. Each student must individually evaluate the performance of each team member using the team member evaluation form.

Assignment:	Due Date:
Conference	July 29
Final report and evaluation*	Aug 5
Team member evaluations	Aug 5

\*In addition to the final revised version of the conference report you developed during the spring semester, the final report and evaluation must include a summary of the attendees' evaluations of the conference and your evaluation of all aspects of your plan and the conference. The report should be detailed, and it must include proposed budget, actual expenditures, explanation of budget deviations, copies of all materials developed/distributed (save the date, brochure/flyer, agenda, displays, exhibitor/donor solicitation materials, contracts – if applicable, etc), forms submitted to CDR, menu, photos, etc. The original copy of the attendance sheet and licensure sign-in sheet must be included. The Chair is responsible for follow up with post-conference details, including ensuring that all invoices are received and paid and all receipts, reimbursements, etc are handled properly and in a timely manner. If you have any questions about this assignment, please consult your instructor.

### **Personal Professional Portfolio**

Develop a Personal Professional Portfolio that specifically portrays your efforts, progress and achievements related to the competencies for entry-level dietitians established by ACEND and those developed for the Nutrition Education and Wellness concentration, as well as general achievements and readiness for professional practice. Examples of the types of things to include in your portfolio are: your updated résumé (must be included); awards, honors, scholarships, certificates (avoid including items from high school in this category; items should be relevant to your future career); letters of commendation (again, these should be more recent and relevant to your future career); forms developed; educational materials developed/published (i.e., EDIS publications, handouts, manuals, workbooks, curricula, booklets, etc.); research abstracts/manuscripts; newsletters/newspaper articles; certifications – Food Handlers, CPR, etc; professional meetings attended (**GAND attendance certificates – must be included**) or meetings/conferences at which you made a presentation; sample chart notes (protect confidentiality); other appropriate information; participation in health fairs – flyers, pictures, etc; and other appropriate information (i.e., list of examples of what to include is not complete). Evaluate your professional development status using the competency matrix and reference the examples of work in your portfolio that demonstrate how you met this competency, as appropriate. Submit your portfolio and competency matrix evaluation.

Assignment:

Due Date:

Professional Portfolio & Competency Matrix	Aug 1 (must include conference work, excluding final report)
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### Tentative Class Schedule\*

April	21 (M)	Preparing for Behavioral Interviews and Workplace Expectations <i>Meena Shankar, MS, RD, LDN</i> Conference Status Update <i>Students</i>
April	23 (W)	Simulated Registration Examination Challenge Session – Part 1
May	1 (Th)	Employment Interviews – Round Table Discussion with Employers of Registered Dietitians
May	12 (T)	Professional Development Issues: Reimbursement for Services – Coding and Billing (out of town students via Skype)
May	20 (T)	Sodexo Webinar: “From Resume to Interview” (on your own)
May	27 (T)	Standards of Practice and Standards of Professional Performance Conference Status Update
June	3 (T)	Simulated Registration Examination Challenge Session – Part 2 (out of town student via Skype)
June	10 (T)	Licensure for Dietitians (out of town student via Skype) Conference Planning Update
June	17 (T)	TBD
June	24 (T)	<b>Break Week - No class; Internship still in session</b>
July	1 (T)	Developing Your Role as a Leader
July	8 (T)	The Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) Professional Development Planning Process and Requirements (Professional Development Portfolio) The Credentialing Process for Dietetic Registration
July	15 (T)	Complete Online or Live Medical Errors Course (on your own – see description in earlier section of syllabus; no formal class meeting; discussion to be conducted July 22)
July	18 (F)	Assessing Readiness for Professional Practice: Simulated Registration Examination for Dietitians: 8:30-12:30 McCarty B computer room (counts as a double class period)
July	22 (T)	Professional Development Issues: Medical Errors Discussion Portfolio Development: A Tool for Documentation of Competency Achievement and for Employment Interviews
July	29 (T)	Professional Development Conference: Food as Medicine
Aug	5 (T)	No class – extra time committed on July 29 counts for this class

\*Subject to change.

\*\*Total contact hours for this course met via longer class meetings on other dates.

**Readings (tentative; additional readings or substitutions for readings may be made with advance notice; readings marked with an asterisk are required)**

**Preparing for Employment Interviews**

\*Fox MJ. Reinvent your resume. J Acad Nutr Diet 2014; 114:533-536.

Rogers D. Compensation and benefits survey 2013: Education and job responsibility key to increased compensation. J Acad Nutr Diet. 2014;114:17-33.

Peregrin T. LinkedIn profile makeover: optimizing your professional online profile. J Acad Nutr Diet. 2012;112:23-25.

Mathieu J. Revamping your resume for your specialty. J Am Diet Assoc. 2010;110:353-360.

Switt JT. Hiring the right person the first time: tips on conducting a job interview. J Am Diet Assoc. 2008;108:1118-1120

Brown D. (2007) Unique careers for dietetics professionals. J Am Diet Assoc 105:S17-S18.

\*Pinkley RL. Salary and compensation negotiation skills for young professionals. J Am Diet Assoc. 2007;107:S23-S27.

\*Mathieu J. Getting that first job: search and resume tips. J Am Diet Assoc. 2006;106:1338-11345.

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**Coding and Billing for Reimbursement**

\*White JV, Ayoob KT, Benedict MA, Chynoweth MD, Gregoire M. et al. Registered dietitians' coding practices and patterns of code use. J Am Diet Assoc. 2008;108:1242-1248.

**Standards of Practice/Standards of Professional Performance**

\*Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Quality Management Committee and Scope of Practice Subcommittee of the Quality Management Committee. Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics: Revised 2012 Standards of Practice in Nutrition Care and Standards of Professional Performance for Registered Dietitians. J Acad Nutr Diet. 2013;113 (Suppl 2):S29-S45.

Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Quality Management Committee and Scope of Practice Subcommittee of the Quality Management Committee. Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics: Scope of Practice for the Registered Dietitian. J Acad Nutr Diet. 2013;113 (Suppl 2):S17-S28.

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### **Developing Your Role as a Leader**

\*Boyce B. Learning to lead: Developing dietetics leaders. *J Acad Nutr Diet.* 2014;114:688-692.

\*Rodriguez, JC. (2011) Members as leaders: achieving professional success. *J Am Diet Assoc* 111:339.

### **Medical Errors Prevention**

\*Medical errors online course: <http://www.pdresources.org> (course offered by Professional Development Resources; or live course offered at FAND on July 13).

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Wu AW, Lipshutz AK, Pronovost PJ. Effectiveness and efficiency of root cause analysis in medicine. *JAMA.* 2008;299(6):685-687.

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Stow J. Using medical-error reporting to drive patient safety efforts. *AORN J.* 2006;.84(3):406-8, 411-414; 417-420; quiz 421-424.

Porter C. A new emphasis on health care safety, quality, and cost containment: how will this affect dietetics practice? *J Am Diet Assoc.* 2004;104(11):1667-70.

Phillips MW. Avoiding medical errors: JCAHO documentation requirements. *J Am Diet Assoc.* 2004;104:171-173.

Cook DJ, Montori VM, McMullin JP, Finfer SR, Rucker GM. Improving patients' safety locally: changing clinician behavior. *Lancet.* 2004; 363(10):1224-30.

Palmer ME, Haller C, McKinney PE et al. Adverse events associated with dietary supplements: an observational study. *Lancet.* 2003;361:101-106.

### **Professional Development Process and Planning**

*Professional Development Portfolio Guide* available at [www.cdrnet.org](http://www.cdrnet.org) (click on professional development portfolio information)

Stein K. Career development in nutrition and dietetics: carving out your own route. *J Acad Nutr Diet.* 2012;112: 1528-1538.

Mathieu J. Moving into management. *J Acad Nutr Diet.* 2012;112 (suppl 2): S16-S17.

\*Aase S. Making the most of your professional development portfolio. *J Am Diet Assoc.* 2009;109:1152-1154.

Williams KA, Keim KS, Johnson CA. Patterns of continuing professional education in registered dietitians and dietetic technicians, registered. *J Am Diet Assoc.* 2004;104(3):437-41.

\*Competency Assurance Panel of the Commission on Dietetic Registration. Scholarship and the CDR recertification (Professional Development Portfolio) process. *J Am Diet Assoc.* 2003;103(8):975-6.

Weddle DO, Himburg SP, Collins N, Lewis R. The professional development portfolio process: setting goals for credentialing. *J Am Diet Assoc.* 2002;102(10):1439-44.

The Professional Development 2001 Portfolio. *J Am Diet Assoc.* 1999; 99(5):612-4

\*Duffy RL. The value of lifelong learning: key element in professional career development. *J Am Diet Assoc.* 1999;99(5):538-43.

\*Pertel DG. How to design your professional development 2001 portfolio. *J Am Diet Assoc.* 1999;99(5):536-7.

### **Dietetic Registration Process, Requirements and Standards**

Commission on Dietetic Registration. (2014) Registration Examination for Dietitians: Handbook for Candidates. Chicago, IL: American Dietetic Association. (Available from CDR under Dietetics Program Students and Graduate tab; then Graduating Student Information for CP, DI, ISPP and DT programs; <http://www.cdrnet.org/>. **(Students should review this thoroughly before taking the RD exam.)**

\*Commission on Dietetic Registration. (2011) Study Guide for the Registration Examination for Dietitians, 9<sup>th</sup> edition. Chicago, IL: American Dietetic Association. (Copies distributed by Dr. Kauwell.)

Noeller B, Ketcham JT, Gilbert JA. (2006) The development of test specifications for the registration examinations. *J Am Diet Assoc.* 106(8):1263-5.

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