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72% of members are RDNs!

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

- What is it?
  - The largest organization of food and nutrition professionals, credentialed practitioners, students and researchers[1]
- Goal: To improve health and advance dietetics through research, education, and advocacy[2]
- Works with the CDR to set education, supervised practice, and exam standards

Commission of Dietetic Registration

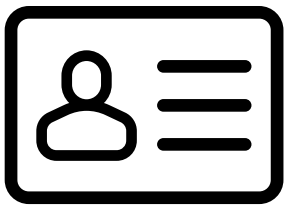
- What is it?
  - An organization that protects and promotes the health of the public by supporting practitioner competence, quality practice, learning activities, and career advancement[3]
  - The CDR administers valid, reliable, and rigorous credentialing processes
- Goal: To be inclusive, innovative, and have integrity & protect the public

Accredditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics

- What is it?
  - The accrediting agency for education programs and preparing students for careers as RDNs or NDTRs[4]
  - Focus on collaboration, accountability, respect, & ethics
- Goal: Student success and providing pathways to become an RD

AND Membership Benefits

- Become licenced
- Be a part of an organization that houses like minded individuals
- Be part of a movement of professionals that works to promote health and advocate for evidence based practice



Dieteics Practice Group

- A professional-interest group made up of AND members, who wish to connect with other members within their areas of interest and/or practice[5]

- What DPGs are there?
  - Diabetes (DDPG): Leaders in food, nutrition, and diabetes care and prevention
  - Research (RDPG): Sharing an interest in research as the foundation of evidence based practice
  - Public Health/Community Nutrition (PHCNPG): Designing, implementing, and/or evaluating practice or evidence-based public health and community nutrition interventions in diverse settings[6]

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Member Interest Group

- Groups of academy members who have a common interest. They focus on areas other than the practice of dietetics or location, but reflect the many characteristics of the academy's membership and public it serves[7]

- What MIGs are there?
  - Cultures of Gender and Age (COGA): To promote inclusive connections and the exchange of diverse perspectives across gender identities, age group, and career stage[8]

Compensation and Benefits Survey of the Dietetics Profession

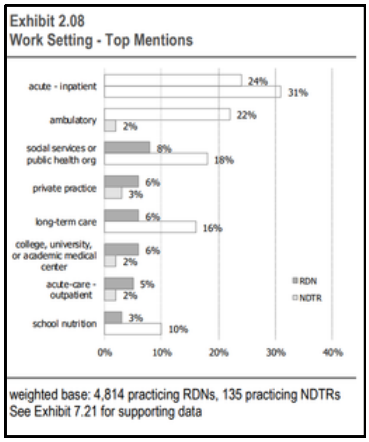
- A survey to serve professional's needs
  - It evaluates and collects data on dietetic professional's career outlooks, qualifications, compensation, employment and positions avaiable and held[9]

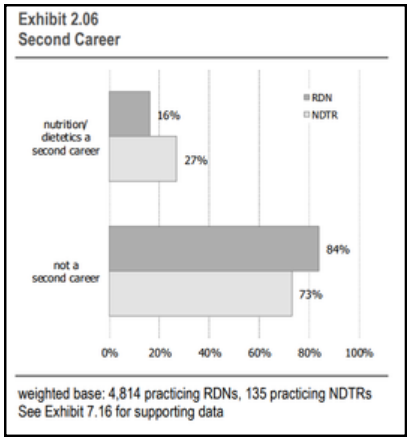
RDN COMPENSATION:
NDTR COMPENSATION:
- by years of experience, career feild, education levle, focus area, and more

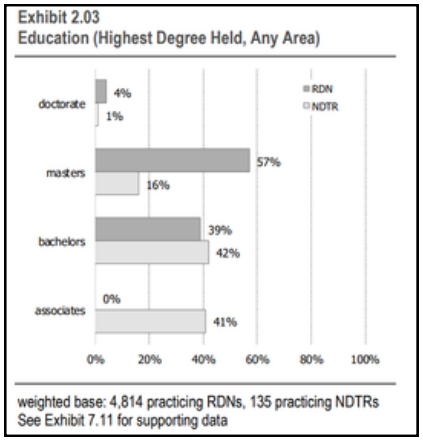
BENEFITS:
- like retirement, insurance, and other benefits (registration status, full time status, work setting, location...)

RESPONDANT PROFILE:
- respondant profile, including demographics, professional qualifications, employment situation, position

- 42% of RDNs work in clinical nutrition, in acute care/inpatient
- The median salary for a full-time dietitian (as of Jan 2024) was $79,000
- The 10th percentile of incomes falls at $60,000, while those in the 90th percentile fall at $124,900 annually







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Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo

- What is FNCE?
  - A conference held annually for dietitians, NDTRs, researchers, policymakers, and more, sponsored by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. It hosts educational programs, an expo, and networking and career opportunities. It is the largest nutrition professional conference, having over 10,000+ attendees[10]
- What are the benefits of attending?
  - Attending offers career and networking opportunities, as well as an opportunity to explore new fields and gain knowledge and insight into other sectors of nutrition and healthcare.

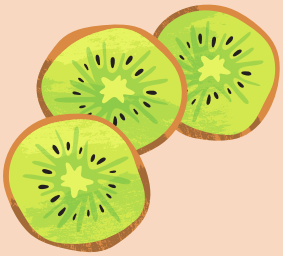


- The FNCE is in a different city every year!

Continuing Education Unit

- What is a CEU?
  - A continuing education unit is a professional credit (usually 1 credit equates to 1 hour) required to maintain credentials through CDR and to meet license renewal requirements. It keeps dietitians up-to-date with new research and practices in dietetics[11]
  - Dietitians needs 75 CPEU every 5 years to maintain registration status with the CDR[12]
- Some employeers will pay for CEU
- The CDR has resources to help plan CEU completion and help professionals stay up to date

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