Introducing Your Council for 2016/2017

Returning Council Members

**Lorna Driedger – President**
Lorna is entering her fifth year on Council. She is currently the Director of Nutrition Services, Calgary Zone in Alberta Health Services and is proud to lead a team of dietitians that positively impacts the nutritional health of Albertans. Over 30 years of diverse clinical and leadership experience in the field of nutrition provides insight into her role on Council. Lorna is honoured to work with proficient College staff and Council members and is excited about the opportunity to represent Registered Dietitians as the President this year.

**Jody Brudler - President-Elect**
Jody is currently Nutrition Services Manager, South Zone in Alberta Health Services. Over the years, she has had a variety of professional experiences which include nutrition education, project management, and nutrition product sales and marketing. Jody brings knowledge and understanding of both traditional and non-traditional roles of dietitians in both urban and rural settings and is excited to participate on the College Council for another year.

**Gwen Bentley – Past-President**
Gwen currently works in Best Practice in Clinical Nutrition for the Good Samaritan Society (GSS). She has over 15 years of experience in providing nutrition care in Eldercare and rehabilitation settings. Gwen also has experience and expertise in nutrition education, menu planning, policy development and Dysphagia assessment and management. She has enjoyed being involved in Council and the important work it does and is looking forward to participating in her sixth and final year of council.
Carole Micholuk - Councilor
Carole is entering her sixth and last year on Council. Carole has learned a great deal about how Council priorities and recommendations clearly reflect our responsibility for public protection, and has enjoyed connecting with colleagues from across Alberta. Carole is the Executive Director, Nutrition and Food Services, Calgary Zone within Alberta Health Services and feels privileged to work with a network of health care providers that extends across all areas of dietetic practice and through the continuum of care, both in the workplace and as a member of our College Council.

Anna Farmer - Councilor
Dr. Anna Farmer is Associate Professor of Community and Public Health Nutrition in the Department of Agricultural, Food and Nutritional Science at the University of Alberta for the last seven years. She teaches courses in community and public health nutrition. Her research focuses on understanding food and nutrition behaviours and policy adoption at the individual and organizational level.

Anna is Academic Lead for the Dietetics Specialization and Honours Program at the University of Alberta. Anna has been a Registered Dietitian since 1989. She has held several positions as a public health and research dietitian in public and government settings.

Anna’s significant work on a national level gives her a very unique perspective on dietetic practice across the country. Anna is passionate about public health nutrition and is looking forward to her second year assisting the Council in their strategic vision of the future scope of practice in population and public health nutrition.

Robin Anderson - Councilor
Robin is a Registered Dietitian currently working as Primary Care Manager at Edmonton Southside Primary Care Network. Previously, Robin was Owner/Partner of Revive Wellness Inc., where she helped build Revive into the largest RD private practice in Western Canada. These positions, combined with over 25 years of practicing as a Registered Dietitian in both hospital and private practice settings, allows Robin to offer a thorough understanding of the perspective of dietitians working in primary care and private practice and also allows her to draw on her experiences with management and organizational leadership.

Robin is looking forward to bringing to Council her immense understanding and experience with regulation and governance along with the key issues concerning the dietetic profession and vision on how they are tied together.
Returning Public Council Members

**Robert Audette – Public Member**
Dr. Robert Audette is beginning his sixth year on Council as a public member. Now semi-retired, he previously was a chemist and clinical biochemist/toxicologist with over 40 years professional expertise in the forensic, veterinary, environmental and health care fields. Currently Robert is an independent consultant and senior assessor for ISO/IEC International Laboratory Standards employed by Accreditation Bodies, Health Care professionals as well as private/public laboratory sectors and other customers in Canada, the U.S. and internationally. He brings extensive experience and leadership as a member of a wide variety of national and international professional boards and committees as well as several Alberta Health committees including the Health Professions Advisory Board. Robert is committed to serving and working with your dedicated team which makes up the Council of the College of Dietitians of Alberta.

**Stephen Donaldson – Public Member**
Dr. Stephen Donaldson is a newly appointed public member of Council. Recently retired, he was previously the Emergency Medical Services Director of Learning and Development for Alberta Health Services. Stephen was a registered Paramedic in Alberta for over 30 years, first with the City of Calgary Emergency Medical Services then with Alberta Health Services and is a recipient of the Emergency Medical Services Exemplary Service Medal from the Governor General of Canada and the Alberta Emergency Services Medal. He has a doctorate in health studies and has consulted for numerous organizations including the Health Quality Council of Alberta, the Canadian Red Cross, and the Alberta College of Paramedics.
New Council Members

(Photo to come) **Kenton Delisle - Councilor**

Kenton has been a Registered Dietitian for 11 years, currently working as a Research Extension Specialist in Healthy Food Processing for the Government of Alberta, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

He has direct board and committee experiences which include striking and managing a Community Advisory Board for a University led population health initiative, including academics, health professionals, and community leaders, and a steering committee for a healthy and enhanced food research group for Alberta Agriculture, including researchers and food scientists.

With a Master of Health Sciences and a career focused in public and population health, Kenton looks forward to bringing a unique perspective to Council as a dietitian having worked for provincial governments in Alberta and British Columbia, the University of Alberta, and for the food industry.

(Photo to come) **Diane Hoy - Councilor**

Diane is looking forward to bringing a wealth of experience and a passion for the field of nutrition to Council. Her 26 years of work have afforded her opportunities to work in private practice, in hospitals and predominantly in communities with clients and stakeholders from agencies, organizations, academic institutions, government departments and many others. She has mentored many dietetic interns to develop their public health nutrition core competencies.

Diane's current role is as a Public Health Nutrition Provincial Lead in Alberta Health Services where she leads provincial working groups to identify objectives, strategies, initiatives and projects aligned with both provincial and zone priorities; leads the development and evaluation of initiatives; and supports zones with implementation of initiatives.

(Photo to come) **Jillyan Jay - Councilor**

Jillyan is a Dietitian with Alberta Health Services in Grande Prairie. She completed her Bachelor of Science, Foods and Nutrition Major and dietetic internship program at the University of Prince Edward Island. She has been a dietitian for 12 years, starting her career as a clinical dietitian and has been working in Population Public Health for the past 10 years. Working in northern Alberta for most of her career, Jillyan has enjoyed a variety of work experiences including resource and program development, group education, and leadership. She is a dedicated and passionate dietitian who strives to effectively communicate not only evidence based nutrition messages but the value, expertise and evolution of the profession. She is looking forward to serving on the College’s Council.
Outgoing Council Members On behalf of the College and Council, we wish them all the best.

Michael Seibel
Michael has completed his sixth year on Council. He has worked as a Sales Representative with Abbott Nutrition for the past 10 years and has previous experience as a Renal and Casual Dietitian. Michael has enjoyed working closely with Council.

Leslie Slubik
Leslie has completed her third year on council. She works with Animas Canada as an Insulin Pump Representative and in nutrition consulting. Her professional work experiences include community nutrition, resource and program development, education and the pharmaceutical industry. Leslie has enjoyed working with the council.

Carmen Olson
Carmen has completed her third year on Council. Carmen has 18 years of work experience and has worked in many areas in dietetics including Foodservice, Clinical, IT Systems and Chronic Disease Management. She also has worked in industry in pharmaceutical sales. Her current role is with the Alberta Health Living Program within Alberta Health Services where her focus is group education. Carmen has enjoyed her time on Council.