

# COLLEGE

## *Briefings*

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Winter 2015

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### Annual Report and Recognition

#### Annual Report 2014

The College has posted the Annual Report for 2014/2015. You may access the report online by clicking [on this link](#) (under Resources).

#### Recognition Awards

The Preceptor Recognition Award was created to recognize excellence and dedication in preceptoring and mentoring in Alberta. The College is pleased to present the Preceptor Recognition Award for 2015 to Michelle Hart, RD from Lethbridge.

The Dietetic Intern Bursary Program was introduced to support current dietetic interns who have demonstrated exceptional professionalism in practice while studying dietetics at the University of Alberta with the intention of becoming a Registered Dietitian. The recipients of the Dietetic Intern Bursaries for 2015 are Jeanelle Dargis, Ninfa Garay and Jasmeena Gill. The College wishes the recipients all the best as they embark on their careers.



*Registrar of the College, Doug Cook, and President of the College Council, Michael Seibel, presenting the Dietetic Intern Bursaries to Jeanelle Dargis (left) and Ninfa Garay (right).*

The award and bursaries were presented at an award recipient luncheon at the College's September Council meeting. The deadline for nominations and applications for the 2016 awards is June 1, 2016.

#### New Council for 2015/2016

The College of Dietitians of Alberta is pleased to introduce the 2015/2016 Council. The College welcomes two new members to Council, Robin Anderson, RD and Anna Farmer, RD.

Council biographies can be found on the Member's section of the College Website under Resources.

Gwen Bentley, President  
Lorna Driedger, President-Elect  
Michael Seibel, Past-President  
Carole Micholuk, Councilor  
Leslie Slubik, Councilor  
Carmen Olson, Councilor

Jody Brudler, Councilor  
Robin Anderson, Councilor  
Anna Farmer, Councilor  
Robert Audette, Public Member  
Gerri Nakonechny, Public Member  
Craig Hrynychuk, Public Member

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### Resources on College Website

The College reminds members of the following resources on the College website:

#### *Events & Employment Information*

The College posts current events and job postings on the members section of the College website. Please logon to the members section and click on the Events & Employment Information page on the left side to view current opportunities. The College encourages you to check back frequently for any updates.

#### *Learning Centre*

The College posts Nutrition Resources for Dietitians on the members section of the College website. Please logon to the members section and click on the Learning Centre page on the left side to view current resources.

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### Profile Updates

The College reminds members that as regulated professionals, Registered Dietitians have a duty to update their profile within 30 days of any change in the information required for the College's Register. This includes changes to your address, contact information (phone and email), employment information or name changes. You may update your profile information online by logging onto the **Online Profile** link (<https://cda.alinityapp.com/webclient>). Please [contact the College office](#) for information on changing your name.

The College regularly posts information on the members section of the College website and all important notices are sent to members in several formats well ahead of deadlines. It is important to pay attention to College communications and members should visit the website regularly to be informed of changes to College requirements affecting your practice.

## Renewal and CCP Update

Online Registration Renewal for the upcoming year will begin on March 1, 2016 and close on March 31, 2016. Additional information will be emailed to members prior to renewal. To assist you in preparing for renewal, please refer to the FAQ page in the Members section of the College website under Registration.

The College completed its annual CCP reviews and audits in September of this year: 381 members had their online reflections reviewed and 36 had their entire program for the 2014/2015 year audited by the Continuing Competence Committee.

Each member is randomly selected for review and/or audit, but should expect to be reviewed once every three years.

The College has been using its online format for CCP for several years now and we continue to notice trends in member submissions. Because of the less structured format for reporting completed activities and the 1,000 character limit to the reflection section, many members are not providing enough detail for the College to understand:

1. What your learning goal was related to the performance indicator you chose,
2. What the activities were that you undertook (specifically),
3. What you learned from those activities, and
4. How practice or competence was enhanced as a result of your learning.

The College asks members to ensure that these four components are included in each online reflection. The College also asks members to consider that although we have made it easier to submit reflections through an online platform, members must continue to track continuing competence activities, track verification of those activities and overall maintain good records in order to write a specific reflection, and for submission to the College in the case of an audit.

We encourage members to utilize the CCP workbook/worksheets available online and to keep these in the case of an audit. Please review the information posted on the members section, on the **Continuing Competence Program** page on the left side, for more information on the program and submissions.

If at any time you have questions about completing the online aspects of the CCP, about verifying completed activities, or any other questions about the Continuing Competence Program of the College, please do not hesitate to contact Shannon Mackenzie, RD, Director of Professional Practice.

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Holiday Hours



The Council and staff of the College of Dietitians of Alberta wishes all members and their families a safe and happy holiday season.

The College office will be closed from December 24, 2015 to January 1, 2016. The office will reopen on January 4, 2016.

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