



**COLLEGE OF DIETITIANS
OF ALBERTA**

Jurisprudence Learning Module Information

Jurisprudence is defined as the science or philosophy of law. In the context of dietetics, it is the provincial legislation in combination with the College of Dietitians of Alberta's regulations and standards of practice that govern practice in Alberta. To ensure every regulated member of the College has an understanding of jurisprudence, the College has developed an online learning module based on the content found within the College's *Professional Practice Handbook for Dietitians in Alberta*.

Why are you required to complete the jurisprudence module?

As part of your continuing competence requirements under Regulation, the Council of the College of Dietitians of Alberta has determined that all regulated members will be required to successfully complete an online jurisprudence learning module. Completion of the module will ensure every regulated member is aware of and understands jurisprudence, the science or philosophy of law, and how it pertains to professional practice and the relevant practice documents for dietetics in Alberta.

College members should be aware of the *Code of Ethics*, *Standards of Practice*, and the *Integrated Competencies*. However, not every member may be as familiar with other practice documents. Completing the learning module is an opportunity for regulated members to review relevant legislative documents, think about them and then test yourself to see which areas might need more attention from you.

Who will be required to complete the jurisprudence module?

Current regulated members must have successfully completed the jurisprudence learning module. New regulated members must successfully complete the jurisprudence module within their first year of registration with the College, prior to registration renewal. Following this, every regulated member on the General Register will be required to complete the learning module every five years to maintain registration with the College.

For those regulated members who completed the jurisprudence learning module while a student at the University of Alberta, you will be required to complete the College's jurisprudence learning module every five years to maintain registration with the College.

How do I know if I will be required to complete the jurisprudence module?

If the Jurisprudence Learning Module is a current requirement for you to complete, in the Registrant Portal (<https://cda.alinityapp.com>) under My Exams, you will see a Jurisprudence Learning Module record listed with the status of "Available". Click on the + button to the right to Start the Jurisprudence Learning Module.

Throughout the year, you can verify whether Jurisprudence is a requirement for you to complete by accessing the My Exams section. It should be available five years after your most recent result.

What will the jurisprudence module look like?

The jurisprudence learning module is an online open-book module comprised of 25 multiple choice questions randomly selected from a bank of questions.

The content of the jurisprudence module covers the chapters found in the College's *Professional Practice Handbook for Dietitians in Alberta*. Each question will have resources provided to assist you in answering each question.

Regulated members will have three attempts to correctly answer each question.

Successful completion of the module constitutes answering at least 22 of the 25 questions correctly. If you unsuccessfully answer three or more questions, you will be able to complete the module but should contact the College office for follow-up and next steps.

The module may be completed in more than one sitting and the time that you need to complete the module is not limited. Completion of the module can be postponed at any time and accessed at a later time at your convenience. The previously submitted answers and number of attempts for each question will be saved.

What is required to complete the jurisprudence module?

The module is accessed by computer and an internet connection. All applicable resources (legislation, regulations and standards of practice) required for completing the module will be provided within the module as PDF attachments.

Can the jurisprudence learning module be used for CCP?

The jurisprudence learning module may be used as a learning activity towards a continuing competence program learning goal. Successful completion of the jurisprudence learning module cannot be used as a learning goal.

Questions?

If you have any questions regarding the jurisprudence learning module, please contact the College office at (780) 448-0059 or by email at office@collegeofdietitians.ab.ca

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