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2015-16 AGM and Education Session

Thank you to registrants, CDBC Board members and public representatives on College committees who attended the **Annual General Meeting and Education Session** on June 2, 2016. You made our 12th AGM a success with 58 participants joining in person and via webcast! [A video recording of the AGM and the education session](#) facilitated by Chi Cejalvo, RD, on "Social Media and Dietetic Regulation" is now available on the College website. If you attended the event and have any feedback on the AGM or the Educational Session, **please send your comments to** info@collegeofdietitiansbc.org

2015-16 Annual Report

We recently emailed registrants a link to the [2015-16 Annual Report](#). The report is also available on the College website. [Audited Financial Statements for the 2015-16 fiscal year](#) are also available for review. If you missed the Annual General Meeting, please take time to review the College's activities during 2015-16.

Congratulations to New CDBC Full Registrants!

The CDBC welcomes fifteen **new Full Registrants** who successfully completed the May 2016 Canadian Dietetic Registration Examination (CDRE). The former Temporary Registrants may now legally use the title "Registered Dietitian" and "RD". Congratulations! Your registration status has been updated on the College's [Public Register of Dietitians](#).



Welcome New Dietetics Graduates!

Congratulations to the dietetic graduates who recently completed their internships and registered as Temporary Registrants. Welcome to the CDBC! The College is part of your resource network. There are a number of [educational resources](#) on the College website that may assist you. Please call (anonymously if you like) or email to clarify legal or ethical aspects of your practice, to ask questions or provide feedback. **We look forward to connecting with you as Registered Dietitians!**

BC Dietitians Recognized

Congratulations to BC dietitians who were recognized at the 2016 Dietitians of Canada Conference

held in Winnipeg, from June 8-11, 2016:

- **Vesanto Melina** - [Ryley Jeffs Memorial Lecture Award](#) recipient for exemplifying the ideals of dedication to the dietetics profession and for her proven ability to chart new direction in the field of dietetics.
- **Patricia Chuey** - Member Recognition Award in Innovation for her work in the application of nutrition sciences and economics.
- **Eileen Cabrera** - Member Recognition Award in Education for her commitment to excellence in education as the Internship Coordinator of Vancouver Coastal Health.
- **Lisa Forster Coull** - Member Recognition Award in Innovation for her work in the development of the Childhood Healthy Weights Intervention Initiative.



The College also congratulates **Heather Woodward**, who was presented the [Canadian Foundation for Dietetic Research's](#) 2016 Regional [Morgan Award](#), at the 2016 UBC Dietetic Intern Research Symposium. This award recognizes Heather's accomplishments through her research project as a dietetic intern. Kudos to all for your contributions to dietetics!

Malware Alert

You may have experienced a "**malware alert**" message on the CDBC website. Please be assured that the CDBC is aware of the issue and that the website was cleared by Google on June 4, 2016. If you continue to receive malware alert messages, this may be caused by using a link from an old (prior to June 4, 2016) link, or using a hospital/work filter that may not yet have updated itself to the CDBC website's new status. Here are some steps you can take to correct the issue:

- clear your bookmarks and browser history
- enter the CDBC website address - www.collegeofdietitiansofbc.org, directly into your search window
- search for CDBC using your search engine.

CDBC Website Updates

The following key items have been updated on the CDBC website:

- [Recording of the 2015/16 AGM and Education Session](#)
- [2015-2016 Annual Report](#)
- [2015-2016 Audited Financial Statements](#)
- [February 18-19 Board Meeting Minutes](#)
- [May 2, 2016 Quality Assurance Committee Meeting Minutes](#)
- [May 17, 2016 Registration Committee Meeting Minutes](#)
- [May 17, 2016 Inquiry Committee Minutes](#)



You Asked About... Dietitians Prescribing Diets

Q: Can Dietitians write diet orders? "As far as I know, [a] diet order is entered under the physician's name even when [the] RD is the one recommending or prescribing the diet."

A: A Dietitian is a primary health care provider along with a physician, nurse, etc., and can determine dietary needs of patients/clients. In the [Dietitians Regulation](#), the definition of "dietetics" includes reference to "therapeutic diets." To the CDBC, therapeutic diets refer to diets designed for any preventive or corrective medical reason or condition - which really includes all diets. Writing a "diet order" for a therapeutic diet is a common term for Dietitians although the College uses the term "designing" a therapeutic diet (as used in the Dietitians Regulation) or "selecting ingredients

for" a therapeutic diet (often used by the government). ***It is within the dietitian's scope of practice to design (i.e. order) therapeutic diets.*** This also includes adjustments to diets. The current exception to this is for diets involving Parenteral Nutrition (PN). PN diets require an order by an authorized prescriber - usually a physician.



Questions? Comments?

Please contact the College staff if you have **questions** about items in this Monthly Update or if you'd like to **schedule a CDBC liaison session** with Fern Hubbard, Registrar. Call 604.736.2016 or toll-free in BC to 1.877.736.2016, or email us at info@collegeofdietitiansbc.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

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