

RETIRED MEMBERSHIP

Individuals who qualify for the Active category and who are no longer gainfully employed in dietetics practice and are at least 62 years of age qualify for reduced membership dues so they may maintain their Academy membership to remain connected to their profession and colleagues.



If you qualify for Active category membership and can answer YES to any of the questions below, you qualify for Academy membership in the Retired category:

Verification documents you will need to submit:

Are you currently 62 years of age or older and no longer gainfully employed in dietetics practice or education?

Date of birth verification. (Gainfully employed is defined as making equal to, or more than, the current Federal poverty level for an individual.)

Are you on total (permanent) disability?

Copy of the Social Security Determination of Disability Form or a statement from a medical doctor attesting to your disability and its permanence.

MEMBER BENEFITS

BECOME A MENTOR

Enroll in the Academy's online Mentor Match and get matched to a mentor or mentee according to similarities in your profile interests and communication styles. You can even search for other participants by Academy DPG or MIG, geographic location and name.

NETWORKING

The Academy offers many ways to network within the profession. Connect with others face-to-face by becoming active in your local affiliate or by attending the Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo™ (FNCE®). Connect online with your peers through the new Retired Community of Interest, launching in 2024.

JOURNAL OF THE ACADEMY OF NUTRITION AND DIETETICS

The premier source for the practice and science of food, nutrition and dietetics, the monthly *Journal* offers in-depth research and practice information. In addition, it provides members opportunities for free CPEU.

50-YEAR MEMBERS

Those with 50 years or more of membership in the Academy receive special pricing on Academy dues. During their 50th Anniversary year, they also receive complimentary FNCE® registration to honor their commitments to the Academy and the profession.

VOLUNTEER

Committee leadership positions at the national, affiliate and DPG/MIG levels provide opportunities to influence and stay connected to the field.

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

Demonstrate your commitment to the food, nutrition and dietetics field by applying to become a Fellow of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (FAND). Only current members in the Active or Retired categories may apply for this prestigious lifetime designation.

MARY BETH OHLMS, MAED, RD, LD Joined in 1979

The Academy works tirelessly to support the role of the RDN in many areas including Medicare reimbursement, Medical Nutrition Therapy, School Nutrition Programs, long term care communities and more. Protecting our credential through licensure is another role that has helped me and other practitioners to obtain and defend our licensure.



KEY CONTACT INFORMATION

FOR THE ACADEMY OF NUTRITION AND DIETETICS:

ACADEMY OF NUTRITION AND DIETETICS

Prompt, courteous and professional staff are here to assist you in the Academy's Member Service Center. Membership representatives are available weekdays from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Central Time, at membership@eatright.org or by calling 800/877-1600, Option 1. International callers may call +1-312/899-0040, Option 1.

ACADEMY OF NUTRITION AND DIETETICS FOUNDATION

The Foundation is the only charitable organization dedicated exclusively to supporting nutrition and dietetics professionals by empowering them to help consumers live healthier lifestyles. The Foundation makes an impact individually with Academy members and collectively throughout the profession and around the globe with its scholarships, awards, fellowships, research grants, public nutrition education programs and disaster relief efforts. Visit www.eatrightfoundation.org to learn more.

EATRIGHTCPE.ORG

The Academy's online learning management system allows members to conveniently manage continuing education coursework within a single Academy platform, and houses over 400 products, including FNCE® session recordings, webinar recordings and certificate of training programs, with new products available on a monthly basis.

NUTRITION INFORMATION SERVICES

Your source for information and resources on food, nutrition and dietetics-related topics. Send your questions to our staff RDNs at nis@eatright.org or call 800/877-1600, ext. 4784.

FOR THOSE PURSUING AN RDN/NDTR CREDENTIAL:

ACCREDITATION COUNCIL FOR EDUCATION IN NUTRITION AND DIETETICS (ACEND)

ACEND is the Academy's accrediting agency for education programs preparing students for careers as RDNs or NDTRs. Visit www.eatrightPRO.org/acend for more information.

COMMISSION ON DIETETIC REGISTRATION (CDR)

CDR, the credentialing agency for the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, has sole and independent authority in administering valid, reliable and rigorous credentialing processes to meet the professional needs of over 115,000 credentialed nutrition and dietetics practitioners and their employers, and to protect the public. CDR strategically focuses its efforts on credentialing programs, recertification and all related professional assessment and development activities including standard setting for learners and providers; practice area competence and stewardship through entry-level, specialist and advanced practitioner credentials; certificate of training in obesity for pediatrics and adults; scope and standards of practice; definition of terms; global malnutrition composite score measure; nutrition care process and terminology; interoperability and health information standards; and quality management resources. Visit www.cdrnet.org for more information.

APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP

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2. Visit www.eatrightPRO.org/join to join the Academy online.
3. Download a membership application at www.eatrightPRO.org/membership-types-and-benefits and return your completed application to the address indicated on the application.

