



CDBC Monthly Update December 2010

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Board of Directors Nomination Results: Two Acclamations and Two Elections

Seven Full Registrants were nominated to the four positions on the Board of Directors that become vacant April 1, 2011. Nomination results are:

- ***Acclamation*** of 2 registrants to the ***Interior/North*** positions. Congratulations to:
 - ***Cassandra Hamilton***, for a 1-year term April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012 and
 - ***Jacqueline Parsons***, for a 2-year term April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2013
 - **Note:** the terms were randomly drawn
- ***One registrant*** will be elected to the ***Fraser*** Electoral Region for a 2-year term April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2013 from nominees:
 - ***Laurie Donnelly***
 - ***Tina Hartnell***
- ***One registrant*** will be elected to the ***Vancouver Island*** Electoral Region for a 2-year term April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2013 from nominees:
 - ***Anita Marriott***
 - ***Monica McAuley***
 - ***Liz McLelan***

All Full Registrants are eligible to vote for both Board positions. Election ballots will be mailed on ***January 4, 2011*** to your ***home address***. You will only receive the election ballot if your home address is correct. Please ***check your online Personal Profile*** in the

CDBC database by linking to [Registrant Login](#).

PDEP Media Release - Federal Grant Received

"On Friday November 5, 2010, Senator Linda Frum, on behalf of the Honourable Diane Finley, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development, announced Labour Mobility funding to the Partnership for Dietetic Education and Practice (PDEP) of **over \$360,000 to support the Integrated Practice Competencies Project**. The grant was effective September 23, 2010. The funding PDEP will receive will support the creation of a standardized assessment process across Canada for dietitians at entry to practice." Click [here](#) to read the full media release.

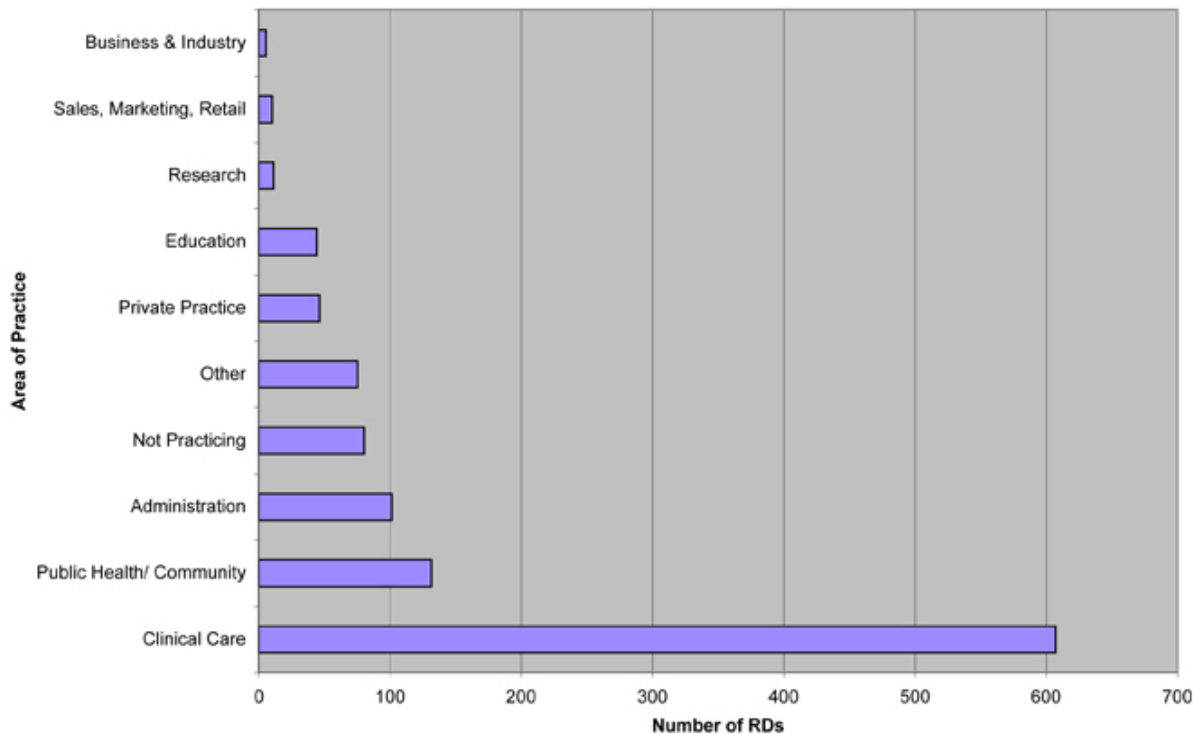
Are you part of the 2011 Continuing Competence Program Group?

Thank you to all registrants in the 2011 Group who submitted their CCP Professional Development Plan (PDP) by the October 31, 2010 deadline. The plans are now being reviewed and you will receive an assessment letter from the College by December 23. If you missed the deadline, please complete the CCP requirement by logging into the new Online [Continuing Competence Program](#). Until your submission has been received you will receive "late" submission notices. You must successfully complete your CCP requirement to renew your registration by March 31.

Registrant Practice Area Statistics

The September and November Monthly Updates included information on registration statistics and demographics. This month, employment areas are highlighted. Numbers are accurate as of November 30, 2010.

Number of Registrants per Area of Practice - November 30, 2010



Call for Registrants Interested in Participating on a CDBC Committee

A few registrants have responded to the notice in recent Monthly Updates and have submitted applications for Board appointments to a CDBC committee. Terms begin April 1, 2011. The Board is very interested in recruiting Full Registrants who have not yet worked with the College. If you are interested, please **submit a current resume and short email** explaining why you are interested in participating on a CDBC Committee to Fern Hubbard, Registrar, **by January 14, 2011** at admin@collegeofdietitiansbc.org.

Holidays Office Hours

The College will be closed for the holiday season between December 24, 2010 and January 3, 2011. **Best wishes for a lovely Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!**

You Asked About... Possible New Restricted Activities

Q: A colleague told me the College is trying to get some new Restricted Activities. Is this true? If so, what are they and **how can I give my opinion?**

A: Yes, the College is going to ask the government to approve some new Restricted Activities (RAs) in 2011 when we submit proposed amendments to our bylaws and the Dietitians Regulation. The proposed RAs were identified by registrants as barriers to effective and efficient delivery of dietetic services. RAs are part of the Dietitians

Regulation and relate to specific services that are of higher risk to public safety than the general scope of practice. **Note:** many consultations with other regulatory colleges need to occur before the CDBC Board will be ready to submit a proposed amendment to the Dietitians Regulation to the government. Once submitted, the government may, or may not, approve the RAs requested. **Until approved, possible new RAs may not be practiced.**

The RAs being pursued are:

- Incorporation of ***concepts from the 2009 Interprofessional Agreement signed with the College of Pharmacists*** - without an order, RDs could design oral and enteral diets and include specified vitamins, minerals (non-scheduled drugs), and possibly insulin (schedule 2 drug) and oral hypoglycemics (schedule 1 drug), and ask the pharmacist to add/adjust the formulas (rather than having a physician write a prescription); and with an order, design an enteral or parenteral diet that includes same drugs as above as well as additional specified categories of schedule 1 and 2 drugs.
- ***Insertion of Feeding Tubes - will become a RA rather than a "Limitation or Condition on Services"***; "delegation" will be removed; existing standards will be converted to competencies and proof of competence.
- ***Order laboratory & diagnostic tests*** - possibly including:
 - general blood tests for assessment, monitoring and evaluation of nutritional status
 - gluten-sensitive enteropathy tests to determine presence of Celiac's disease
 - videofluoroscopic swallowing disorder assessment as some RDs with advanced education/practice are currently providing this service. **Note:** "bedside" swallowing assessments are within RD scope of practice - no RA required.
- ***Injections*** - possible new RA allowing Dietitians with additional qualifications to administer specific agents by injection such as insulin, vitamin B12 (and possibly Epi-pen if not a public domain act).

The College welcomes all registrant comments. You may comment by email, phone or during in-person liaison sessions. Some feedback was received during the October 15 AGM Education Session and during a recent in-person/audio-conference meeting with RDs in the Interior. Other liaison sessions are being planned. If you'd like Fern Hubbard, Registrar, to attend a RD gathering in your area to further explain the proposed RAs and get your opinion, please contact her at info@collegeofdietitiansbc.org.

Questions? Comments?

Please contact Fern Hubbard, Registrar or Mélanie Journoud, Deputy Registrar, if you have questions about items in this Monthly Update. 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!