



The Ins and Outs of Indiana Dietitian Licensure

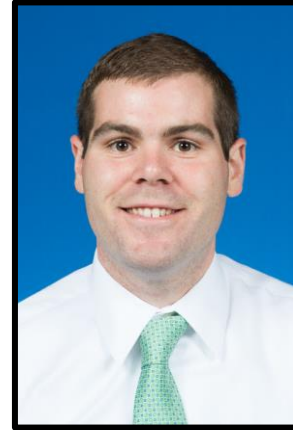
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Webinar Outline

- What is licensure and why does it matter?
- History of licensure in Indiana
- How to obtain licensure
- What does licensure look like in Indiana currently?
- Licensure and order writing privileges
- Licensure FAQs
- Questions

Certification vs. Licensure

- Certification
 - Title Protection

- Licensure
 - Title Protection + Scope of Practice

Importance of Licensure

- Consumers need ethical, high quality, evidence-based care provided by professionals who are trained consistently and whose practice has proven outcomes
- Consumers are familiar with and count on state licensure of professionals to identify competent service providers
- Licensure enables consumers, insurers, employers, and other health professionals to have confidence in the dietetics profession

Importance of Licensure

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Licensure Efforts

- 2013 Licensure Bill
- Scope of Practice Rule
- Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services
 - “Qualified Dietitian” = Certified Dietitian
- 2019: HB 1269 and HB 1569

In summary:

The screenshot shows the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency (PLA) website. The browser address bar displays "State of Indiana [US] | https://www.in.gov/pla/diet.htm". The navigation bar includes the IN.gov logo, the PLA logo, and links for "INSPECT", "Professions", "PLA Online Services", "Renew License", "Free Search & Verify", and a search icon. Below the navigation bar are links for "Online Services", "I Want To", and "FAQs", along with buttons for "Find an Agency" and "Gov. Eric J. Holcomb".

The main content area features a breadcrumb trail: [PLA](#) / [PROFESSIONS](#) / [DIETITIANS](#). The section title is "Dietitians".

NOTICE - Effective July 1, 2019, the Indiana Dietitians Certification Board is dissolved. The functions of the board are transferred to the Medical Licensing Board of Indiana. Additionally, dietitians will now receive licensure instead of certification. Current certificate holders will be grandfathered into licensure upon renewal of their certification.

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How to Obtain Licensure

- Admittedly a bit cumbersome
- Paper application
- What if I'm already certified?
- For more information, visit the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency [website](#)

Licensure FAQs

- Do I have to be licensed to practice?
 - If I don't have to be licensed to practice, why should I bother?
- I'm currently a certified dietitian. How do I become licensed? When can I use the "LD" credential?
 - Opportunity to recertify in early 2020

Licensure FAQs, continued...

- I'm obtaining certification/licensure in Indiana for the first time. Will I be licensed after I apply? Or certified?
- Does the certification cycle stay the same for licensure?
- What are the CPEU requirements for licensure?
- Will licensure cost more than certification?

Licensure FAQs, continued...

- How does this protect the RD scope of practice?
 - Can a nurse practitioner teach a nutrition class?
- Does licensure warrant an increase in pay?



Additional Questions?



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