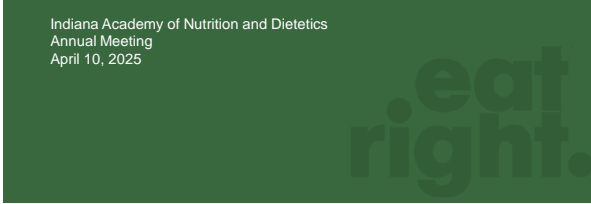




## Academy in Action



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## Today's Presenter



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*Treasurer-elect, Board of Directors*

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## Learning Objectives

1. Summarize the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics' mission, vision, core purpose, structure, and fiscal year 2025 priorities.
2. Recognize the Academy's role as an advocacy powerhouse working to elevate the dietetics profession's impact on healthcare and public policy.
3. Identify how the Academy is adapting to meet future challenges while increasing the profession's relevance, recognition, and accessibility.
4. Describe at least two ways the organization's commitment to courage and forward thinking is influencing the future of nutrition and dietetics practice.

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### About Our Academy

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### Mission and Vision

**Vision:** A world where all people thrive through the transformative power of food and nutrition.

**Mission:** To accelerate improvements in global health and well-being through food and nutrition.

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### Nutrition and Dietetics Profession



115,000+ Credentialed Practitioners



4,700 Board Certified Specialists



17,700+ Nutrition and Dietetics Students

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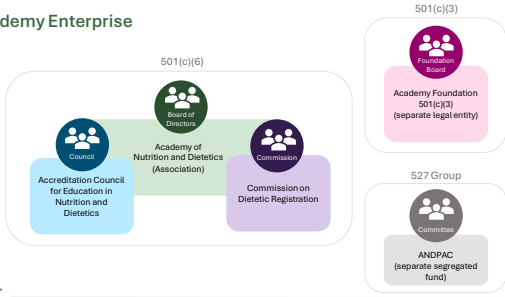
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### Academy Enterprise



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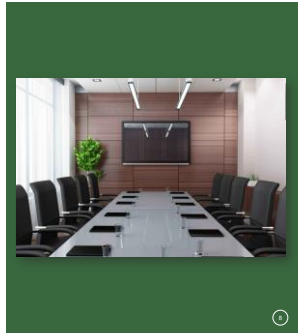
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### About Our Academy – Board of Directors

- The Academy is led by a Board of Directors comprised of 18 national leaders in nutrition and health plus the CEO.
- The Board of Directors sets the Academy's course and ensures its financial well-being.



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### House of Delegates

#### Academy Bylaws Article VIII, Section 1

1. Adopting and maintaining a code of ethics in conjunction with CDR
2. Developing position statements and other professional papers
3. Establishing qualifications and dues of members, and formula for dues payments to affiliate organizations
4. Identifying and prioritizing trends and recommending policy and strategic direction for the Academy
5. House structure and committees

#### Academy Bylaws Article XV

6. Amendments to Academy Bylaws



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### Academy Committees

#### Board Committees

- Finance and Audit Committee
- Governance Committee
- Policy and Payment Committee
- Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access (IDEA) Committee'

#### Non-Board Committees

- Research Committee
- Honors Committee

#### Standing Committee

- Nominating Committee

#### Operational Committees

- Committee for Lifelong Learning
- Practice Excellence Committee

#### House Committees

- Ethics Committee
- Council on Future Practice

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### About Our Academy – Executive Leadership



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### Discovering Our WHY

#### 1924: Original Purpose Statement

- "The object for which it is formed is to bring about closer cooperation among dietitians and between dietitians and workers in allied fields; to improve conditions and raise standard of dietary work."

#### 1949: Revised Purpose Statement

- "The object for which the Association is formed is to improve the nutritional status of human beings, to raise the standard of dietetic service and the status of the professional, and to bring about closer cooperation among dietitians and nutritionists and workers in allied fields."

#### 1955: Revised Purpose Statement

- "The purpose for which the corporation is organized is to improve the nutritional status of human beings and to advance the science of dietetics and nutrition and to advance the education in these and allied areas."



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### Why Change?

- Strengthen the Academy's relevance for members in a post-COVID era.
- Elevate the profession's value to improve individual and societal nutrition.
- Enhance collaboration between dietetic and nutrition professionals and allied healthcare teams.
- Expand awareness and access to medical nutrition therapy (MNT).
- Prioritize improved health outcomes for all.




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### Future State Vision

We are an advocacy and public policy **POWERHOUSE**.

We are recognized as a **STEM** profession.

We are perceived by the public and other health care professionals as the **NUMBER ONE** food and nutrition experts.

We demonstrate **OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE**.



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### Fiscal Year 2025 Priorities

#### Advocacy

- Invest in and fully deploy the resources necessary to increase access to Medical Nutrition Therapy.
- Continue to support the licensure compact to ensure practice across state lines.

#### Member/Interprofessional Education

- Evaluate and enhance the Academy's Evidence Analysis Library through the lens of interprofessional collaboration and education.
- Determine what is needed to have Dietetics added as STEM field under the professional classification.

#### Public Focus, Research and Media

- Work collaboratively with strategic partners to understand public opinions and perceptions.

- Launch a media campaign to position RDs as the premier food and nutrition practitioners equipped to enhance the nutritional status of individuals and communities.
- Develop, expand and disseminate resources and research on emergent nutritional topics.

#### Organizational Barriers to Sustained Growth and Relevance

- Create a new Academy strategic plan.
- Pause the work of committees/taskforces and other activities that do not directly support the FY25 organizational priorities. Reestablish the charge of continuing committees/taskforces based on the priorities.
- Modernize and invest in the Academy's financial and technology structure.
- Develop a blueprint for the Academy's governance and organizational structure for the future.



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FY25 Priority - Advocacy



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FY25 Priority - Member/Interprofessional Education

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Nutrition Science and Policy

Journal of the  
Academy of Nutrition  
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FY25 Priority - Public Focus, Research and Media



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FY25 Priority - Organizational Barriers to Sustained Growth and Relevance



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Fostering a Welcoming and Supportive Profession for All



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Planning for the Future



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Courage to Move Forward

# Eye to the FUTURE



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## Questions?

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## Thank You

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