CCP Self-Assessment

Self-assessment plays a vital role in identifying learning needs for the upcoming licensing year. The self-assessment is a mandatory component of the CCP that must be completed at the beginning of the competency cycle, as it highlights areas for knowledge and competency development that aligns with the Standards of Practice.

The Standards of Practice are based on the assumptions that they:

- Support NSCDN's primary professional obligation to protect and serve the public interest according to legislative requirements.
- Apply to the diverse professional roles of dietitians including but not limited to: assessment of nutritional requirements
 of individuals/groups; management of nutrition goals for population health, disease management and prevention;
 management of food nutrition services/programs; education of clients and others; development of nutrition related
 tools/communications; employment in industry and business; and contribution to research. The standards are
 applicable to all dietitians regardless of their roles, responsibilities, and practice context.
- Represent the minimum practice performance of dietitians in delivering safe, competent, ethical services.
- Outline the mandatory performance expectations which must be adhered to by dietitians.
- Are one element of a continuum of documents such as legislation, codes of ethics, practice guidelines, and competency profiles that shape and guide the practice of the profession.

Self-Assessment Notes:

- 1. The term "client" refers to an individual, family, substitute decision-maker, team members, group, population, agency, government, employer, employee, business, organization, or community, who is the direct or indirect recipient of the dietitian's skill and knowledge.
- 2. Some indicators within the Standards of Practice have been removed as they are not applicable to setting learning goals. Refer to Appendix B for a list of indicators that have been removed from the CCP Self-Assessment.

Instructions:

For each indicator within the self-assessment, reflect honestly and identify if it is either an *area for development and learning* or *not identified for learning at this time*.

An area for development and learning signifies an area where dietitians recognize the need to enhance understanding and knowledge in dietetic practice, benefiting both practice and clients. Conversely, not identified for learning at this time indicates a comprehensive understanding of these standards within their specific practice areas or that the indicator is not applicable to their practice.

Upon completion, review the assessment results and select indicators to designate for development of learning goals. While goals may relate to the same indicator, two distinct goals are required.

Standard	Indicator	Area for development and learning	Not identified for learning at this time
Standard 1: Advertising	 Ensure that advertising is an honest and fair representation of professional services and/or products offered. 		
	 Adhere to NSCDN's Code of Ethics for Registered Dietitians and refrain from using advertising that directly or indirectly: 		
	 i. creates unjustified expectations about the results; ii. compares the ability, quality, and/or cost of professional services with that of other dietitians; 		
	iii. takes advantage either physically, emotionally or financially of clients;		
	 iv. endorses, promotes or recommends exclusive use of a product/brand used/sold as a component of professional services, unless supported by evidence; and, 		
	v. uses client testimonials to endorse professional services and/or products.		
	a. Obtain client consent for professional services.		
Standard 2: Assessment and Interventions	b. Obtain, review, and interpret relevant assessment data		
	e. Monitor, evaluate, and document the impact of interventions in achieving identified outcomes, proposing alternative interventions if goals have not been achieved.		

Standard 3: Boundaries	a. Be sensitive to their position of relative power or influence in professional relationships and not use this status to take physical, emotional, sexual, financial, or other types of advantage of clients and team members.	
	c. Respect, establish, and manage effectively, the boundaries that separate their personal and professional relationships/roles in all contexts (e.g., face-to-face, virtual dietetic practice, social media).	
Standard 4: Client- Centred Services	a. Acknowledge and respect the rights, dignity, and uniqueness of each client (e.g., ethnic/cultural background, religion, age, gender, social status, marital status, sexual orientation, political beliefs, physical/mental ability, corporate mission, and values).	
	b. Collaborate with clients to identify and develop goals, plans, and interventions to meet their unique needs.	
	c. Acknowledge and respect clients' rights to autonomy and decision making over their own health.	
	d. Advocate the client's behalf when required.	
Standard 5: Collaborative Practice	a. Contribute professional knowledge to discussions and interactions with clients and team members.	
	c. Respect clients' and team members' perspectives and responsibilities, while acknowledging overlapping roles and scopes of practice.	
	e. Effectively manage conflict with clients and team members.	

Standard 6: Communication	a. Be clear and respectful in all verbal, nonverbal, and written communication.	
	b. Maintain clients' privacy and confidentiality in all forms of communication.	
	c. Use strategies to promote effective communication (e.g., active listening, empathy).	
	d. Adapt communication to the needs of clients and minimize barriers by incorporating relevant supports as available (e.g., interpreters, visual aids, technology, appropriate language, culturally appropriate resources).	
	e. Use strategies to facilitate clients' comprehension and learning (e.g., opportunity for questions, teach back, appropriate literacy levels).	
	f. Communicate with professional integrity and maintain appropriate boundaries in all communication formats at all times.	
Standard 7: Competence	 Evaluate their own practice and participate in continuing professional development to identify and address learning needs. 	
	d. Maintain competence in the present area(s) of practice, incorporating evidence into professional services.	
	e. Acquire the knowledge and skills to practice competently in emerging practice areas as required.	

a. Recognize any situations in which a conflict of interest could have an impact on their professional judgment.		
d. Document any conflict of interest, the efforts to manage it, and the outcome(s).		
 a. Provide clients with complete and objective information regarding the risks, benefits, and options for treatment and/or professional services. 		
b. Obtain client consent prior to the provision of services and document as required.		
d. Respect clients' rights to: make choices, consult, and request additional information; refuse proposed interventions; and withdraw previously provided consent at any time.		
a. Access and critically appraise current and applicable evidence.		
b. Incorporate current evidence, using critical thinking and professional judgment, when providing professional services.		
d. Maintain comprehensive records regarding the delivery of professional services and/or sale of products.		
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	b. Access and collect only the client information that is essential to carry out the delivery of safe, competent, ethical services.	
Standard 13: Professional Practice Obligations	Accept as their primary professional obligation, to protect and serve the public interest according to the NSCDN Code of Ethics.	
Standard 14: Record Keeping	d. Maintain complete and accurate financial records for all relevant professional services.	
Standard 15: Safety and Risk Management	a. Comply with occupational health and safety legislation, best practices in infection prevention and control, and organization/employer policies and procedures.	
	c. Contribute to and comply with risk management activities/requirements to promote a safe environment (e.g., working alone, environmental hazards, threats to personal safety).	
	e. Comply with food safety standards in the delivery of professional services.	