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Join Our List

Dear AODA Members,

An exciting new opportunity to work with the AODA board of directors and leadership team has become available, and details are below.

The next issue of the Passport is underway, and we're interested in any events that you have held or participated in recently, including photos! Send me an email with the details if you have something you'd like to share with the rest of the AODA members.

Sincerely,
Your Newsletter Editor
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AODA Job Opportunity Available

Dear Members and Supporters,

AODA is seeking a part-time Executive Director to help shape and execute our affiliate operations. If you are experienced in organizational and financial management, communications, and administrative services and are interested in a part-time opportunity to work with a dynamic international organization, please consider responding to [this RFP](#). The position will be virtual, requiring regular emails and conference calls as well as annual travel for AODA's Mid-Year Meeting.

Please direct any questions or responses to pastpresident@eatrightoverseas.org

Launch of Global Development Lab

The US Agency for International Development has launched the Global Development Lab, which is aimed at



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ending extreme global poverty. The lab will initially focus on 6 thematic areas, including:

- food security and nutrition
- maternal and child survival
- energy access
- sustainable water solutions
- child literacy
- connected technologies

Its mission is:

"To discover, test, and scale breakthrough development innovations to solve development challenges faster and cheaper in support of U.S. foreign policy and development goals and to accelerate the transformation of USAID as the world's premier development agency."

For more information, visit their [website](#).

eNCPT 2014 Edition

The eNCPT (formerly IDNT Online) is about to be launched on a new website platform. In addition to the existing peer-reviewed content, new features will improve the user's experience:

- **Translations:** these will be produced in collaboration with international dietetics associations.
- **Navigation:** improvements in the toolbar will aid with navigation.
- **Improved organization:** the print edition will be printable with the charts left intact and logical information flow.

For more information, please check out the recent [flyer](#) outlining these changes.

Comment on Local School Wellness Policy!

The USDA recently released a [proposed rule for local school wellness policies](#). The proposed regulations will strengthen implementation, improve transparency, and ensure better participation from community members on local school wellness committees. Also, the rule requires for the first time that schools establish policies to limit marketing of unhealthy food and beverages during the school day.

[Comments](#) on the policy are being accepted until April 28, 2014.

International Knowledge and Competency Statements

Unified List of Knowledge and Competency Statements

The International Confederation of Dietetic Associations Board is attempting to develop a unified list of knowledge and competency statements that can be applied in any location of practice, worldwide.

The ICDA Board will be meeting in November 2014 in Phoenix, Arizona to begin this work. If you would like to contribute, you can send the relevant documents to [Sylvia Escott-Stump](#) by June 1. If your country has regulations, licensing, accreditation, credentials, or standards that are used to determine who can practice as a dietitian/nutritionist, please participate. No infringement of copyright will occur, as the ICDA Board will be looking for the common terminology, curriculum, and competencies.

Open Leadership Team Positions

AODA is currently seeking volunteers for the following exciting Leadership Positions.

- **Fundraising Chair:** The person in this position will organize at least one fundraising activity annually and canvas the membership, affiliated state associations, and other organizations for fundraising ideas.
- **Public Relations Chair:** The person in this position will facilitate the promotion of AODA.
- **Media Representative:** The person in this position will provide interviews for national and international press contacts, initiate media placements, and present AODA primary and secondary messages in interviews.
- **Newsletter Editor:** The person in this position will provide information to AODA members about a variety of topics as a co-editor.
- **IT Chair:** The person in this position will design, create, and revise the format of the website, as needed.
- **Membership Data Coordinator:** The person in this position will maintain and update all member and subscriber information on file on a monthly basis in addition to producing and sending out new member packets.

For more information, please contact the AODA Nominating Committee Chair, Peggy Yip, at NCC@EatrightOverseas.org

Member Feedback Needed for the Spring 2014 House of Delegates Meeting

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetic's Virtual Spring 2014 House of Delegates (HOD) meeting will be held May 3-4, 2014. The discussion will focus on the mega issue question: *How do we mobilize members to commit their time, talent, and resources to research?*

Background

We must use research to demonstrate how RDNs and DTRs improve the nation's health through food and nutrition in order to advocate for increased reimbursement. Without sufficient data on outcomes and the effectiveness of RDN-specific interventions, reimbursement for services is difficult to achieve. Data regarding outcomes are needed for all areas of practice to show their value; in this way, RDNs can increase value, validity, funding, and respect for dietetic practices.

For additional information, please refer to the [HOD Backgrounder](#) and [Research Executive Summary](#).

Member Feedback Needed

Please consider completing the short survey ([Academy of Nutrition and Dietetic Spring House of Delegate Survey](#)) to provide your feedback.

For more information about the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetic's House of Delegates, please visit <http://www.eatright.org/hod/>.

Open Country Representative Positions

We are currently seeking a volunteer to act as country representative (Co-CR) in **Australia**.

As a CR, you would:

- Represent AODA within the country by establishing relationships with nutrition associations and dietetic professionals.
- Integrate AODA members for nutrition issues within the country.
- Serve as an expert resource for AODA/Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics and interested parties for all nutrition issues within the country.

For more information or to share your thoughts, please contact Virginia Tijerina Walls, AODA Country Representative Chair, at cr-chair@eatrightoverseas.org

Update from our House of Delegates Representative

To continue to give you a better understanding of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetic's House of Delegates (HOD), this month I want to share [Academy Governance 101](#) and a few more details on the HOD.

Q. Who governs the Academy?

A. The Board of Directors (BOD) governs the organization and the House of Delegates (HOD) governs the profession.

Q. What is the difference between the roles of the BOD and HOD?

A. As compared to the role of the US Congress, the BOD serves as the "Executive Branch", and the HOD serves as the "Legislative Branch".

For more information, please review the [Fact Sheet: House of Delegates - What it's All About](#).

HOD Vision Statement: The House of Delegates, as the voice of the members, governs the profession and develops policy on major professional issues.

I hope you have a better understanding of the House of Delegates. I also hope that you do some introspection and see how you can best participate in shaping the future of your profession by providing your input, letting your voice be heard, or representing AODA at the House of Delegates as our Delegate.

I would like to hear from you. Please let me know if you have any questions: hdc@eatrightoverseas.org

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American Overseas Dietetic Association Delegate, Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics House of Delegates

Membership Benefit Corner

AODA Educational Stipends

AODA is proud to offer two (2) \$500.00 USD Educational Stipends per year to members who would like to attend a food/nutrition related conference. Awardees are members who qualify for the stipend and complete the application form according to the guidelines. AODA members are encouraged to read about the criteria to see if they qualify for the stipend. To download the application (which includes the criteria), click [here](#). All applications are emailed by the stated guidelines to [Member Services Chair](#).

For a conference between June 1 and November 30, 2014, the application deadline is April 15, 2014. The awardee will be notified by May 1, 2014.

Job Opportunities

The full list of jobs are available on the [AODA website](#).

This month, I'd like to feature opportunities available in

the [UNICEF's Nutrition Talent Group](#). Applications close May 2, so if you're interested, act fast!

Note: Positions are not necessarily endorsed by AODA or the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

Conference Attendance

Are you attending a conference and want to meet up with other AODA members? We will be using this space to help you connect with members!

Are you planning to attend the [European Congress on Obesity](#) in Sofia, Bulgaria, May 28-31? If so, please let us know, and we will try to plan an informal AODA meet-up during the congress. Please email Erin Kappelhof at pastpresident@eatrightoverseas.org. Details to follow!

CPE and Training Events

Successful Synergies

Get inspired to connect with local organizations to help fight hunger and improve access to healthy foods in your community by hearing many innovative examples of projects big and small. Learn practical tips for forming collaborations that become successful synergies.

Understand the important role that health care and food bank partnerships can play in improving the lives of families facing food insecurity. This April 29 Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Foundation webinar is planned with Feeding America through an educational grant from the National Dairy Council.

Online, April 29, 2014

AMIA 10x10 Informatics Education Program

The goal of the AMIA-OHSU 10x10 program is to provide a detailed overview of biomedical and health informatics to those who will work at the interface of healthcare and information technology. The course also aims to provide an entry point for those wishing further study (and career development) in the field. It provides a broad understanding of the field from the vantage point of those who implement, lead, and develop IT solutions for improving health, healthcare, public health, and biomedical research.

Online, May 7 - October 8, 2014

Lessons from the Mediterranean: Applying Yesterday's Wisdom to Tomorrow's Table

In this workshop, learn the influence of history and culture on traditional and modern day agriculture, how ecology and the ecological environment shape both diet and medicine, the role of conservation practices in preserving natural environments and food heritage, the impact of a changing environment on agriculture and trade, modern threats to healthy lifestyles, and culinary practices in

traditional and modern cuisine.
Island of Crete, Greece: May 13-20, 2014

Creating Just Food Systems: Cultural Tools for Local-Global Activism

Women are central to the global food system - as small scale farmers, salaried workers in agribusiness, markets and restaurants - and they are also the key leaders in grass-roots initiatives to create a more equitable and sustainable food system. This course will focus on roles different groups play in promoting community resilience through food systems that address interrelated issues of poverty, health, environment, gender, and racial equality. Using a participatory research and popular education approach, participants will share stories (and food) from their own diverse contexts; will learn about frameworks of food security, food justice, and food sovereignty; will map local, regional and transnational networks; and will explore artistic, cultural, and spiritual practices that build communities and local-global activism. Antigonish, NC, Canada: May 13-30, 2014

Health Education and Health Promotion: Theory and Practice

The course aims at contributing to understanding the main theoretical principles underlying health communication and health promotion, as well as the application of these principles in practice. The course will include lectures and practical exercises to apply the acquired knowledge. Most days will have the following structure: 1. A theoretical introduction; 2. A demonstration project, to illustrate translation of theory into practice; 3. Group work, in order to apply the principles yourself. University Maastricht, the Netherlands: June 30-July 4, 2014

Save the Dates: Upcoming Conferences and Events

American Society for Nutrition 2014 Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting

San Diego, CA, USA, April 26-30, 2014

8th Congress of the International Society of Nutrigenetics/Nutrigenomics

Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia, May 2-3, 2014

The 4th Science of Nutrition in Medicine and Healthcare Conference

Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia, May 3-4, 2014

XVII International Congress on Nutrition and Metabolism in Renal Disease 2014

Wurzberg, Germany, May 6-10, 2014

3rd International Vitamin Conference

Washington DC, USA, May 12-15, 2014

National Nutrient Databank Conference

Portland, OR, USA, May 14-17, 2014

2nd World Forum for Nutrition Research Conference

Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, May 15-17, 2014

Building Resilience for Food and Nutrition Security

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, May 15-17, 2014

3rd International ISEKI Food Conference

Athens, Greece, May 21-23, 2014

Eating Disorders & Obesity Conference

Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia, May 26-27, 2014

International Symposium on Understanding Moderate Malnutrition in Children for Effective Interventions

Vienna, Austria, May 26-29, 2014

Australia New Zealand Society for Geriatric Medicine Annual Scientific Meeting 2014

Melbourne, Australia, May 28-30, 2014

Micronutrient Forum: Bridging Discovery and Delivery

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, June 2-6, 2014

4th Annual LCIRAH Research Conference: Agri-food policy and governance for nutrition and health

London, England, June 3-4, 2014

9th International Conference in Interpretive Policy Analysis

Wageningen, The Netherlands, July 3-5, 2014

6th Africa Nutritional Epidemiology Conference

Accra, Ghana, July 21-25, 2014

5th Buenos Aires Nutrition Conference

Buenos Aires, Argentina, August 13-14, 2014

International Symposium on Indigenous Vegetables; International Horticultural Conference

Brisbane, Australia, August 18-20, 2014

2014 Asian Congress of Dietetics

Taipei, Taiwan, August 21-24, 2014

Meals on Wheels Annual Conference and Expo

Scottsdale, AZ, USA, August 26-28, 2014

WHO Consultation: Fortification of condiments and seasonings with vitamins and minerals in public health: from proof of concept to scaling up

New York, NY, USA, August 26-28, 2014

Public Health England Annual Conference

Coventry, England, September 16-17, 2014

25th Congress of the Nutrition Society of South Africa and the 13th Congress of the Association for Dietetics in South Africa

Johannesburg, South Africa, September 16-19, 2014

2014 Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo (FNCE)

Atlanta, GA, USA, October 18-21, 2014

Walk 21: XV International Conference on Walking and Liveable Communities

Sydney, NSW, Australia, October 21-23, 2014

Food Analysis Congress

Barcelona, Spain, October 29-30, 2014

III World Congress of Public Health Nutrition

Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain, November 7-12, 2014

Second International Conference on Nutrition (ICN2)

FAO Headquarters, Rome, Italy, November 19-21, 2014

Research Society For The Study of Diabetes In India (RSSDI) Bangalore 2014

Bangalore, November 21-23, 2014

Visit our [website](#) for more information.

New Members & Supporters

The AODA would like to extend a warm welcome to our new members and supporters:

Argentina

Maria Angeleri

Australia

Rachel Bacon

Canada

Samantha Beaman

Carole Chatalalsingh-H

Markie Habros

Bridget King

Guatemala

Julissa Salguero

Hong Kong

Marcus Lai

Samantha Szeto

Stephanie Yip

India

Padmaja Joshi

Iraq

Hemin Najmadden

Japan

Kumiko Kato

Ian Miller

Mexico

Marian Alpizar Rodriguez

Netherlands

Catherine Fish

Oman

Fathiya Al-Rashdi

Taiwan

Yueh Chuan Jao

United Arab Emirates

Julie Tom

United Kingdom

Katarina Burton

United States

Patricia Anthony

Marie Bieber

Stephanie Clapper

Janet Malanga

Janine Marello

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Joy Winzerling

Mission:

Empower members to be international food and nutrition ambassadors

Vision:

Optimize health internationally through food and nutrition

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