

Table I: COMPARISON OF CNS, RD, AND CCN BOARD CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

<p>Certified Nutrition SpecialistSM (CNS Credential)</p>	<p>Commission on Dietetic Registration (RD credential)</p>	<p>Clinical Nutrition Certification Board (CCN Credential)</p>
<p>ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS</p>		
<p>A. Hold either a: 1. Masters of Science or Doctoral degree in the field of nutrition from a United States regionally accredited college or university, or its foreign equivalent; or 2. Doctoral degree in a field of clinical healthcare (including, but not limited to, MD, DO, DC, DDS, Doctor of Nursing, ND, PharmD) from a United States regionally accredited college or university, or its foreign equivalent.</p> <p><u>And</u></p> <p>B. Have completed the following minimum for-credit coursework: 1. Nutrition (minimum of nine semester credit hours). Examples of such course topics include but are not limited to: therapeutic nutrition, nutrition assessment, developmental nutrition, micro nutrients, macro nutrients, functional nutrition, nutrient depletion & drug/herb interactions, dietary supplements, nutritional disorders, pharmacology, and biomedical science courses that involve nutrition-related metabolic systems. 2. Biochemistry (minimum of six semester</p>	<p>Academic Degree Minimum of a Baccalaureate degree granted by a U.S. regionally accredited college/university or foreign equivalent.</p> <p>Current Minimum Academic Requirements Completion of an Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) accredited Didactic Program in Dietetics. All Didactic Programs in Dietetics are listed in the Directory of Dietetics Programs. December 31, 1999 is the last postmark date for submitting registration eligibility applications using Plan IV minimum academic requirements.</p>	<p>A. Hold either a: 1. Bachelors of Science For individuals holding a Bachelors of Science from a Regionally, National, State and DETC Accredited University, the coursework below should be incorporated into the existing degree or taken as supplemental coursework prior to qualification for the CNCB’s PGSCN online program.</p> <p>Core Science Coursework: 3 course hours each required Anatomy & Physiology Human Biology, Chemistry, Biochemistry (pre-requisite organic chemistry), Microbiology, Core Nutrition Coursework/or Equivalency (five courses needed - 3 course hours each required) *Course titles may vary but must be equivalent. Introduction to Nutrition I, Nutrition II Nutrition and Disease, Nutrition & Supplementation, Nutrition Assessment, Herbology, Nutrition Counseling Strategies, Nutrition and Aging</p> <p>2. An Advanced Professional Degree in a Licensed Health Care Field: (Degree must include Core Science Coursework.)</p>

<p>credit hours)</p> <p>3. Physiology or Anatomy/Physiology (minimum of three semester credit hours)</p> <p>4. Clinical or Life Sciences (minimum of twelve additional semester credit hours). These courses may be prerequisites for the above courses and include, but are not limited to: biology, micro-biology, chemistry, organic chemistry, botany.</p> <p><i>“Regionally accredited” means an institution that was accredited, at the time the degree was awarded, by a regional accreditation body in the United States which is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the United States Department of Education. Degrees from institutions outside the U.S. must be from that country’s equivalent of a regionally accredited U.S. institution.</i></p>		<p>For qualified health professionals in licensed categories, including but not limited to holders of MD, DO, DC, DDS, DPM, OD, RPh, PharmD, DPT, PA, LAc, RD, or a BS in nursing, 56 hours of online training in clinical human nutrition within the PGSCN program is required prior to examination. Naturopaths with a degree approved through the Council on Naturopathic Medical Education or licensed through the state are qualified for the PGSCN online program. Those individuals holding an Associates Degree in Nursing would be qualified after obtaining the Core Nutrition Coursework listed above. Individuals holding an MS degree in the field of Clinical Nutrition from a State, National or DETC college are qualified for the PGSCN online program.</p> <p>3. An individual that holds a Masters, Ph.D, or D.Sc. in Human Nutrition: from a Regionally, National, State and DETC Accredited University. (Degree must include Core Science and Nutrition Coursework.)</p> <p>Dependent upon CNCB approval of individual academic nutrition programs, Masters, Ph.D., and D.Sc. applicants may be eligible to take the examination without completion of the Post Graduate Studies in Clinical Nutrition (PGSCN) program.</p>
INTERNSHIP / SUPERVISED PRACTICE REQUIREMENTS		
<p><u>Supervised Experience Requirement</u></p> <p>The candidate must complete 1000 hours</p>	<p>All dietetic education programs accredited by ACEND must be in the U.S. or its territories. Supervised practice requirements stipulate</p>	<p>New York State requires undergraduate degrees lacking 3 years clinical experience to complete the 900 hour internship.</p>

<p>of documented supervised practice experience in nutrition in accordance with the following:</p> <p>A. Supervisor Qualifications:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The following individuals may serve as a Supervisor, provided he/she has a minimum of three full-time years of clinical experience in nutrition care: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Certified Nutrition Specialist; ii. Holder of a Masters of Science or Doctoral Degree in the field of nutrition with a state license or certification; or iii. MD or other doctoral-level licensed professional whose scope of practice includes nutrition 2. Supervisor(s) must be approved by the CBNS Credentials Council. <u>Supervisor Approval Request Form</u> must be submitted to the CBNS Credentials Council. Structure of the Supervised Experience: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 1000 hours supervised experience must include minimum hours in each of the following categories: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Nutrition assessment (minimum 200 hours) ii. Nutrition intervention, education, counseling, or management (minimum 200 hours) iii. Nutrition monitoring or evaluation (minimum 200 hours) iv. The remaining hours may be in any of the above categories. 2. The Supervisor must: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Meet at regularly scheduled sessions 	<p>completion of one of the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics accredited pathways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accredited Dietetic Internship Program Provides for the achievement of performance requirements for entry-level dietitians through a minimum of 1200 hours of supervised practice. The program follows completion of the Didactic Program in Dietetics and a Baccalaureate degree. Some programs may be completed part-time with supervised practice. • Accredited Coordinated Program Academic program in a U.S. regionally accredited college or university culminating in a minimum of a Baccalaureate degree. The program provides for the achievement of knowledge and performance requirements for entry-level dietitians through integration of didactic instruction with a minimum of 1200 hours of supervised practice. <p>INDIVIDUALIZED SUPERVISED PRACTICE PATHWAYS (ISPPs)</p> <p>In September 2011, the Academy announced the development of Individualized Supervised Practice Pathways or ISPPs ("ispeys") which are intended to add supervised practice capacity through ACEND-accredited dietetics programs,</p>	
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<p>with the supervisee;</p> <p>ii. Verify completion of the supervised program; and</p> <p>iii. Submit the CBNS <u>Supervised Practice Experience Report</u> for approval by the CBNS Credentials Council.</p> <p>3. A variety of experience with multiple supervisors and settings may be combined to achieve the 1000 hours.</p> <p>4. Supervised experience setting may be any that facilitates the above requirements, including but not limited to:</p> <p>i. Internship, residency, or clinical rotation</p> <p>ii. Clinical practice</p> <p>iii. Institutional setting</p> <p>iv. Community setting</p> <p><i>The Supervised Experience may be completed after passing the CBNS Certifying Examination, however the candidate will not be awarded, and may not use, the CNS credential until the Supervised Experience is completed and approved.</i></p>	<p>while providing student protections missing from the unaccredited models of the past. This approach provides a framework that can align the availability of supervised practice with demand from DPD students who hold verification statements, thereby laying the foundation for addressing supervised-practice shortages in the future.</p> <p>Some features of the ISPP initiative include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing processes for assessment of prior work experience and learning. • Developing dietetics structured competency-assessment exams for assessment of prior work experience. • Permitting DIs, CPs and DPDs to implement accredited ISPPs to prepare graduates with verification statements to sit for CDR's registration exam. • Giving permission for programs to develop criteria for accepting individuals holding doctoral degrees or overseas dietitians into ISPPs without a didactic verification statement. 	
EXAM		
<p><u>CBNS Certifying Examination</u> The candidate must successfully complete the CBNS Certifying Examination.</p>	<p><u>CDE Certifying Examination</u> The candidate must successfully complete the CDE Certifying Examination.</p>	<p><u>CCN Certifying Examination</u> The candidate must successfully complete the CCN Certifying Examination.</p>
RECERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS		
<p>To maintain the CNS credential, the</p>	<p>Completed continuing professional educational</p>	<p>The CCN Credential requires on-going</p>

<p>individual must re-certify every five years and document 75 Continuing Nutrition Education credits, in compliance with the CBNS Continuing Education Policy.</p>	<p>requirements to maintain registration. RD's 75 CPEs in 5 years. Registered Dietetic Technician: 50 CPE's in 5 years.</p>	<p>maintenance to verify that the practitioner is continuing to update knowledge and skills:</p> <p>Forty approved CE Hours every 2 years, fulfilled by the following;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Attendance at "three out of four" IAACN Annual Scientific Symposiums (60 CEs earned).2. Payment of Annual CNCB Maintenance Fee (no refunds in part or in full)3. Recertification in the spring of your fifth year via annual study textbooks with contracted Open Book Exam. <p>Recertification Text books total 24 CE hours.</p>
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