

Pennsylvania Department of Health WIC Dietetic Internship

MISSION

The mission of the PA WIC DI Program is to provide a community nutrition/public health focused program that fosters development of entry level Registered Dietitian Nutritionists to promote healthy lifestyles and outcomes for Pennsylvania's most vulnerable citizens.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

<u>PA DOH WIC DI Program - GOAL 1</u>: Graduates of the PA DOH WIC DI Program will become competent entry level registered dietitian-nutritionists to practice in the Community Nutrition/Public Health field.

OBJECTIVES-Goal 1:

- 80 % of program graduates take the CDR credentialing exam for dietitian nutritionists within 12 month of program completion.
- The program's one-year pass rate (graduates who pass the registration exam within one year of first attempt) on the CDR credentialing exam for dietitian nutritionists is at least 80%.
- At least 80% of program interns complete program requirements within 47 weeks (150% of the program length).
- 80% of employers will rate program graduates as competent entry level.
- 80% of graduates of the PA WIC dietetic internship program will continue to practice in community nutrition programs two years after obtaining registered dietitian nutritionists 'credentials.

<u>PA DOH WIC DI Program - GOAL 2</u>: Graduates of the PA DOH WIC DI Program will promote nutrition and the dietetic profession in their community and professional lives.

OBJECTIVES-Goal 2:

- Of graduates who seek employment, 80% are employed in nutrition and dietetics or related fields within 12 months of graduation.
- 50% of graduates will serve as preceptors, two years following graduation.