



DC Metro Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

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## You're Invited: Caffeine and Connect - August 23, 2025



Hello DCMAND Members,

Welcome to the new 2025-26 Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics year. We invite you to join us for our next member event on Saturday, August 23, 2025 at Doubles (3118 Georgia Ave NW Washington, DC 20010) on the back patio from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Come enjoy coffee or tea with fellow dietitians and learn about opportunities to serve on DCMAND's Board of Directors.

RSVP [here](#) by Thursday, August 21, 2025. We look forward to connecting!

-Nominating Committee & Events/Membership Committee

*Have an idea for an event? We would love to hear from you! Share your ideas to [events@eatrightdc.org](mailto:events@eatrightdc.org).*

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## Public Policy Updates

Are you passionate about improving food policy? You can make a difference by using your voice and expertise! The Academy's Action Center offers an easy way for you to contact your members of Congress and share the Academy's key policy priorities. Open to both Academy members and the public, this tool is quick and simple to use, allowing you to support important bills or topics and express your views to elected officials. Act today by following this link:

<https://www.eatrightpro.org/advocacy/take-action/action-alerts>

On July 28, the D.C. Council approved the District's Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Budget. Follow this link to learn how food programs are funded by local dollars in the next fiscal year and what policy changes were made in the FY 2026 Budget Support Act:

<https://dcfoodpolicy.org/2025/08/06/what-is-in-the-fy2026-district-budget-for-dc-food-system/>

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## DC Medicaid MNT Coverage Guidelines Now Available

DCMAND was pleased to contribute to the Academy's recent updates to Medicaid Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT) coverage in Washington, DC. These updates, reviewed and revised in February 2025, offer detailed guidance on the availability of MNT services under both Traditional Fee-for-Service Medicaid and Managed Care Organizations (MCOs).

Notably, CPT codes 97802, 97803, and 97804 are recognized, and RDNs can independently enroll as providers in both models of care. While prior authorization is sometimes necessary, RDNs are encouraged to verify plan-specific requirements and contract terms directly with MCOs.

Thanks largely to Delegate Audie Spear, the DCMAND Board provided input on the consolidation and clarification of this information, ensuring that local policy details were accurately reflected. We invite you to review the full resource to understand how to enroll as a provider, what services are reimbursable, and how to navigate Medicaid billing in DC.

Access all of the Academy's Medicaid-specific information at <https://www.eatrightpro.org/career/payment/medicaid> and refer to the DC-specific coverage document linked on the left side of the page.

If you are interested in further engaging with insurance coverage and other local policy issues, please contact us to learn more about how you can get involved.

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## **Call For Speakers for our 2025/2026 Professional Development Events**

Hello! The DC Metro Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics is pleased to announce our Call For Speakers for our 2025/2026 Professional Development Events. We are seeking subject matter experts in a wide variety of topics and intend to have an equally wide variety of events throughout the year to provide opportunities for our membership to learn and connect. These will include both virtual and in-person seminars, with multi-speaker engagements in both fall and spring and smaller events in between. In order to be considered for any or all of these opportunities, please fill out and submit the form below and we will be in touch with offers including time and date as they become available. Thank you, and we look forward to an educational year!

[Call for Speakers Form](#)

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Trauma-Informed Care for Dietitians in Pediatrics and Beyond


Presented by Madison Tyler, RDN, CSP, LDN, CLC

 Date: August 27

 Time: 11 AM CT / 12 PM ET

 Cost: FREE — Earn 1 CEU!

This session will explore trauma-informed approaches to care that can enhance your practice across pediatric and broader settings.

 Register now at <https://eatright-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/dNy-kf7DSVSeOXmDcWlnbQ>

 Or scan the QR code in the flyer!

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