

Emerging Dietetic Leader Award (EDL)

Applications are due January 31st

The Emerging Dietetic Leader Award recognizes the competence and activities of dietitians, regardless of their age, who have made distinctive contributions early in their dietetics careers to the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

Criteria for Selection

1. Member of the Washington State Academy; verify and include member number
2. Initial practice experience not less than 5 years and not greater than 10 years. Interrupted careers or time periods not in practice, are not to be considered or rationed into the 5-10 years of professional practice experience.
3. Active participation in the national, state, or district association for at least 5 years.
4. Is a Registered Dietitian or Dietetic Technician, Registered.
5. Not previously selected as an RYDY or RDTY.
6. Demonstrated concern for the promotion of optimal health and nutritional status of the population.
7. Demonstrated leadership, e.g., in legislation, research, education, management, etc., in the Association, community or employment.

Procedure for Selection

1. Each affiliate is allowed to select one recipient each year.
2. The complete responsibility for the selection of the recipient rests with the affiliate association.
3. The affiliate president or awards chair sends recipient's data sheet to the Academy by **May 1**.

Action Following Selection

1. A certificate of recognition will be sent to the selectees together with a congratulatory letter from the President of the Academy. If an affiliate association wishes to receive the certificates for presentation during a formal meeting, national headquarters must be notified in writing when the data sheets are submitted.
2. Recipients will receive a name badge ribbon for use at the Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo™ (FNCE®) and/or state meetings following their selection.
3. The list of recipients for the year will be published in a fall issue of the ***Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.***
4. Publicity for affiliate recipients will be handled by the affiliate or district public relations chair.

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Washington State Academy

The Emerging Dietetic Leader Award, established in 2000, recognizes the competence and activities of members, regardless of their age, who are at the beginning of their dietetic careers. Nominees should have significantly supported the promotion of optimal health and nutritional status of the public through demonstrating leadership in legislation, research, education, management, or other areas related to the profession. Up to one recipient will be awarded and a committee consisting of three Washington State Academy board members will select the winner using a point system.

To be considered for this award, the following information must be submitted online by January 31:

The nominee or a designated person shall have completed the online application here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WA-EDLapplication> (note that the online application includes uploading the candidate's CV/resume and a letter of recommendation).

- Please carefully name the uploaded CV and letter of recommendation – start with the candidate's last name.

Submission checklist (for completion by January 31, 2025).

- Complete Online Application: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WA-EDLapplication>