2016 ANFP AWARD WINNERS



Congratulations to the 2016 ANFP award recipients! These CDMs and others who support the nutrition and foodservice industry will be recognized throughout the conference. ANFP celebrates the critical work they are doing across the country to provide innovative leadership and support the value of the CDM, CFPP credential.

CDM of the Year



Jessica Weisbrich, RDN, LD, CDM, CEPP

Oak Hills Living Center New Ulm, MN

Jessica was awarded the Minnesota CDM of the Year Award in October of 2015. Since becoming involved with ANFP in 2007, she

has served as the Minnesota Chapter Awards and Recognition chairperson for five years, and more recently was awarded the ANFP CDM of the Month in January of 2016. She became a CDM in 2008, and after many years as a cook and dietary aide, decided to continue her education and return to Minnesota State University, Mankato, to pursue a degree in Dietetics. Jessica became a Registered and Licensed Dietitian in 2014.

Distinguished Service Award



DeLaine Rasmussen, RD, CDM, CFPP *Dietitian Nutrition Services, LTD Sisseton, SD*

Since becoming a CDM and an ANFP member in 1992, DeLaine has been very active with ANFP and the South Dakota ANFP Chapter. She has served on the board for multiple terms

as President-Elect and President of the chapter. DeLaine has been an advocate for dietary managers and traveled to the state capital, as well as Washington DC, to meet with state representatives to discuss and educate them on the role of the CDM, and the importance of employing CDMs to manage dietary operations and ensure nutritious healthful food is prepared using food safe methods.

Excellence in Dining Award



Joshua N. Watkins, CDM, CFPP Baptist Retirement Communities of GA Fairburn, GA

Joshua has introduced various new dining concepts at Palmetto Park Senior Living. He has made dining a fun and life-changing experience for residents. He takes the time

to sit with them individually to discuss their nutritional needs. Additionally, Joshua personally oversees resident dining events like Annual Grandparent's Day Sandwich Buffet and Taste of Palmetto Park. He has instituted other dining concepts like Grab 'n Go Meals, Annual Community Open House and Cook Panel Discussions with residents. The residents frequently express their enjoyment about dining at Palmetto Park.



Leadership Institute Alumni LEAD Award



John Hickson, CCA, CDM, CFPP, FMP, FSP, CHESP, CP-FS Southern Surgical Hospital Slidell, LA

The ANFP Leadership Institute is a multiday networking and education workshop that focuses on shifting from manager to

leader. John continues this practice through the four pillars of leading change, leading people, leading strategically, and leading collaboratively within his professional life as well as his service with ANFP. He has applied his leadership knowledge in many capacities as the Director of Support Services at Southern Surgical Hospital, as well as the President/CEO of SCORE. Additionally, his service as a member of the Board of Directors and the Professional Development Committee, has proven his leadership capabilities.

Legacy Award



Paula Bradley, CDM, CFPP Protection Valley Manor Protection, KS

The Legacy Award recognizes commitment to ANFP through volunteer participation as well as event attendance at annual conferences, regional meetings, and

chapter programs. Paula is dedicated to the CDM and the organization. She has volunteered countless hours on the Leadership Development Committee, Professional Development Committee, ANFP Board of Directors (Chair) and as an item writer. She has served as State President-Elect, State President and State Immediate Past President as well. Paula truly believes in mentoring members, whether it is becoming involved in ANFP or to better themselves personally. Paula exemplifies ANFP leadership.

Model of Commitment Leadership Award



Dr. William Palumbo, DCN, MS, RD, CDN, LNHA

Morrison Community Living Kings Park, NY

Dr. Palumbo embodies the Model of Commitment Leadership Award. He demonstrates commitment to the CDM

credential, as well as supports the nutrition and foodservice department leader through mentoring. Dr. Palumbo has encouraged his Directors to earn their Certified Dietary Manager credential and has fostered continuing education amongst his region. Dr. Palumbo has encouraged many aspiring RDs, Dietetic Technicians and Executive Chefs to obtain their CDM which affords them the opportunity to be amongst the industry's renowned food and nutrition professionals.

Leading Change Partnership Award



PALMETTO PARK

Orchard Healthcare (Jackie Greene, Administrator) Hayneville, AL

The Leading Change Partnership Award demonstrates strong commitment to the CDM credential from a facility or

company that supports the nutrition and foodservice department leader. Orchard Healthcare's commitment to excellence is rooted in their dedication within their Dietary Service program to provide the highest level of quality care. Administrator, Jackie Greene, consistently supports and assists her department leader by encouraging her to stay involved with ANFP. Jackie also contacts other administrators directly to encourage them to provide the same support to their own CDMs.

Foodservice Department of the Year Award



Palmetto, GA

Palmetto Park Senior Living has been chosen to receive the inaugural NFEF Foodservice Department of the Year award! This award is based on Teamwork, Innovation, Customer Service and Operational Contribution. The Palmetto Park dining services team empowers their employees by teaching communication and team building exercises. Their staff is recognized for their excellent service and is honored each month by their administrators. The Palmetto Park staff also educates their residents, clients, and customers on the importance of nutritional meals. The Palmetto Park facility revamped all their menus and hosted a "Taste of" event for their residents and their families. They have developed an annual "Grandparent's Day" complete with a sandwich buffet, and an annual Open House complete with volunteer musicians during the holiday season.



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Annual Conference Grant Recipient

Kathryn Mata, CDM, CFPP Daybreak Venture Corporate Office Dawson, TX



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