

The Role of the CDM



**SAFE FOOD FOR
SENIORS ACT**
H.R. 3356

Today's Agenda

- Introductions
- Patient safety is goal number one in LTC and hospitals
- Challenge – to get cosponsors for the Safe Food for Seniors Act
- Opportunity – to implement minimal training or certification requirements for all federally-funded skilled nursing facilities.

(state name) Impact Team

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Who We Represent

- *(state)* **ANFP** –

Association of Nutrition and Foodservice Professionals

- **Over 14,000 members** strong across the USA!
- Members work in long-term care facilities or hospitals.
- CDM, CFPP = Educated, trained, and qualified professionals.



Association of Nutrition & Foodservice Professionals

- ANFP was **started in** (*City, State name*) over ## years ago
- (*State name*) continues to increase its member numbers throughout the years, **### members** as of (*date*), 2015!
- (*State name*) continues to be on the cutting edge of new developments in **food science, technology, education, management, and food safety**



Protecting Seniors and Promoting Food Safety

- Foodborne illness is a serious public health threat to Americans of all ages but **seniors are often most at-risk.**

USDA and CDC statements:

- 48 million cases of foodborne illness every year in the US
- >128,000 people are hospitalized
- Almost 3,000 deaths occur annually

The Challenge:

There is no minimum federal training or certification for a director of food services.

The HHS regulations at 42 CFR 483.35 say that staffing must include a full-time, part-time, or consulting dietitian.

Who is responsible for services when a part-time or consulting dietitian is not present?

- One-half of all nursing homes and long-term care facilities in the US have only **ONE** full-time kitchen staff member certified in safe food handling, preparation, and sanitation.
- Only 17 states require CDM certification from the Certifying Board for Dietary Managers (CBDM) for long-term care facilities and/or hospitals.

Bottom Line

More seniors, more health risks!



Safe Food for Seniors Act

- Requires that federally-funded skilled nursing facilities have their director of food services, in the absence of a full-time dietitian, be trained as a Certified Dietary Manager, Certified Food Protection Professional (CDM, CFPP), or a Dietetic Technician, Registered (DTR), or have the equivalent training from military experience or traditional education.

What's the Difference between a Manager and a Certified Dietary Manager?

	DM	CDM
<i>Director of Dietary Services</i>	Yes	Yes
<i>Educational requirements met in medical nutrition therapy, foodservice management and human resources</i>	No	Yes
<i>Passed an approved ANFP exam administered by ACT, Inc.</i>	No	Yes
<i>Completes continuing education requirements of 45 credits every three years to maintain CDM credential</i>	No	Yes
<i>Works closely with an Registered Dietitian</i>	Yes	Yes

Scope of Practice

There are 27 different CDM practices, ranging from:

- Conducting routine client nutritional screening, which includes gathering food/fluid intake data;
- Managing a sanitary foodservice environment;
- Developing and implementing policies and procedures.

Full disclosure for CDM,CFPP Scope of Practice at

http://www.anfponline.org/training/CDM_CFPP.shtml

States Recognizing the CDM Credential

State Name	LTC	Hospital		State Name	LTC	Hospital
Alaska	CDM/Course	CDM/Course		Maryland	CDM	
Arkansas	CDM	CDM		Mississippi	CDM	
California	CDM	CDM		Missouri		CDM
Delaware	CDM			North Carolina		CDM
Florida	CDM			North Dakota	CDM	
Hawaii	CDM/Course	CDM		Oklahoma	CDM	CDM
Illinois	CDM/Course			South Carolina	CDM	CDM
Iowa	CDM/Course			South Dakota	CDM/Course	CDM/Course
Kansas	CDM	CDM		West Virginia	CDM	
Maine	CDM			Wyoming		CDM

CDM: the state recognizes the CDM credential as one of the qualifications to be a dietary department supervisor.

COURSE: the state requires that the dietary department supervisor, as a minimum, have successfully completed the ANFP course.



(state name) is not on the list ...

A Simple Solution:

Pass the **Safe Food for Seniors Act**.

This law will fill the void in CMS regulations to raise the standard of care for seniors by requiring nursing home and other long-term care facilities receiving federal funds to require the director of foodservice, if not a full-time qualified dietitian, to at least be certified by the Certifying Board for Dietary Managers or to have adequate alternative training.

Congress must act to further protect our seniors from foodborne illnesses

By recognizing the CDM credential,
we can make this happen.

**Will you cosponsor the
Safe Food for Seniors Act?**