

SUMMER 2026 NEWSLETTER

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**MINNESOTA ANFP FAQs
ACE RECAP
FALL CONFERENCE 2026**

Annual Conference & Expo (ACE) Orlando!

Over 300 CDM, CFPPs and other foodservice and nutritional professionals headed to Orlando for ANFP Annual Conference & Expo (ACE) this June. Minnesota was well represented as always!

Our state chapter took home awards in

- Communication
- Government Affairs
- Membership



Other highlights included Jessica Haycraft being installed as the chair of the CBDM (Certifying board for Dietary Managers) This board oversees the certification process for CDMs. Jessica Haycraft also led a session on Care Planning. While Jeffrey Wuollet led a session on managing your culinary operations expense & budgets.



ACE 2027 will be in Las Vegas, NV where Marj Smith will be installed as the chair of ANFP



Minnesota ANFP Fun Facts



Minnesota ANFP became a chapter of The Hospital, Institution, and Educational Food Service Society (HIEFSS) in 1969

2 Minnesota Members have been Chair of the ANFP. Various other members have served on national boards and committees



Marj Smith will become the 3rd Minnesotan ANFP Member to chair the ANFP National Board



Minnesota Chapter has taken home the highest ANFP award (Diamond Award) on 5 occasions



Minnesota ANFP is proud to have over 400 members working in various sectors. From nursing homes, hospitals, day cares, corrections and more!

BEHIND THE KITCHEN DOORS

*Minnesota ANFP
Fall Conference*



SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday/Thursday

October 7-8, 2026

Grand Casino Hinckley

Nomination Open!

Each year at the Annual Minnesota Fall Conference, we have the opportunity to recognize individuals who have gone above and beyond in their dedication and service to our chapter and the industry.

We encourage you to nominate a colleague—or yourself—for an award recognizing outstanding contributions and achievements.

Award Categories:

- CDM of the Year
- Ambassador of the Year
- New Horizon Award

Help us celebrate the individuals who make a lasting impact on our chapter and profession through their exceptional commitment and leadership.

Nomations link emailed to you!

ANFP Upcoming Events

Sept. 24-25 2026- ANFP Fall Forum: St. Louis MO.

Oct. 7-8, 2026, Minnesota ANFP Annual Fall Conference, Hinkley MN.

Details about ANFP live events can be found online at www.anfponline.org



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The Minnesota Association of Nutrition & Foodservice Professionals is pleased to announce the 2025 – 2026 Board of Directors

The following individuals began their respected role on June 1, 2024



**President
Mistin Warkenthien**



**President-Elect
Shawn Pierce**

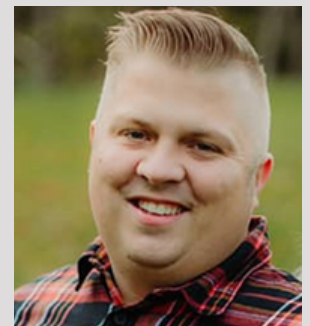


**Interim- Secretary
Jessica Haycraft**



**Treasurer
CarieAnn Williams**

**Treasurer Elect
Jessica Holm**



**Past President
Jeffrey Wuollet**

The Minnesota ANFP chapter is governed by a volunteer board of directors. Officer terms run from June 1 to May 31. All active members are eligible to attend quarterly board of director meetings to audit chapter business and happenings. The call for volunteer comes out annually in February, all members are welcome to nominate themselves or others for a board or committee position.

Top 10 Tips to Meet CDM, CFPP Recertification Requirements

Use these CBDM policy reminders to help ensure you meet the CBDM recertification requirements. Monitor how many CE hours you reported on the My Certification page of your ANFP record. Log into your ANFP record and go the My Certification Page. Use this tool to learn about [certification status definitions](#).

2. Make a plan for how you will meet the minimum required CE hours .You are required to complete and report a minimum totalof45 hours.NineCE hoursmust pertain to Safety and Sanitation and 1.0 CE hour must be related to Professional Ethics.
3. Complete and submit CE activities by May 31 of the last year of your three-year recertification period.You must reportCE activities and upload requireddocumentation via theMy Certification page of yourANFP record. Failureto completeandreportthe minimum required CE hours will result in being placed in the CE Audit process.
4. Keep your certification active by paying the annual certification fees .CE activities completed when yourcertificationisinactive are noteligible towardyourrecertification requirements and no CE hours will be posted to your CE record for those activities.
5. Complete CE activities related to [content areas](#) covered on the CDM Credentialing Exam and within the [CDM, CFPP Scope of Practice](#).These topic areas include Nutrition,Foodservice, PersonnelandCommunications, Sanitationand Safety, and Business Operations.
6. Make sure CE activities you complete are at least 30 minutes long . Programs less than 30minutes longare noteligibleCEactivities.Aftertheinitial30minutes, activities can be reported in 15-minute (0.25 hour) increments.
7. Consider completing CBDM Prior Approved programs . They are a convenient way to meet recertification requirementsandareCE Auditproofwhen submitted properly. To locate CBDM Prior Approved programs, use the [Find CE Tool](#) available when you log into your ANFP record.
8. Be aware that some activity types have a maximum allowed number of hours per three-year reporting period. Hours reported in excess of the maximum allowed will not count toward recertification requirements.
 - For books, you can report up to 6.0 CE hours per three-year recertification period.
 - For trade shows, you can report up to 5.0 CE hours per three-year recertification period.
 - For college courses, you can report up to 36.0 CE hours per three-year recertification period.
9. Have available and upload all required documentation . Although it varies by CE activity type, required documentationusuallyincludes your certificate of completion, agenda with timeline and your personally written summary of purpose and evaluation. Effective June 1, 2019, you must upload required documentation in order to be able to submit a CE activity.
10. Before uploading your certificate of completion, make sure it complies with CBDM policy . Itmustmatchinformation reported forthe activity andinclude all of the following: name of program sponsor, program title, your name (blank certificates will not be approved), date completed/attended and CE hours awarded.