

Australian Dietetics Council

Dietetic Skills Recognition (DSR) Examiners – Oral Examination

Terms of reference

Dietetic Skills Recognition

The Australian Dietetics Council (ADC) via delegation from the Dietitian and Nutritionist Regulatory Council is responsible for operationalising the assessment and recognition of overseas-qualified dietitians. The profession undertakes this function within the guidelines outlined by the Australian Government and subcontracts the conduct and assessment of the oral Dietetic Skills Recognition (DSR) exams to appropriately qualified Accredited Practising Dietitians.

The oral examination content is developed by the Regulatory Services Portfolio with support from the DSR Reference Group. Material is supplied to DSR examiners as scenarios and process instructions are provided for both examiners and candidates.

Role

The Dietetic Skills Recognition (DSR) Examiner's role is to conduct and assess the third stage in the DSR process: the oral examinations.

Term

Oral examiners are appointed by ADC for a three (3) year term with the option to reapply for further terms.

Functions

- Assess the DSR oral examination for overseas educated dietitians and Accredited Practising Dietitians completing the Resumption of Accredited Practice process
- Record and submit candidate results against a standardised DRS assessment form
- Provide feedback to the Regulatory Services Portfolio on processes, where required
- Participate in assessor training

Responsibility and reporting

Examiners providing DSR examination services will be responsible to the General Manager Regulatory Services under the terms and conditions outlined in the assessor contract.

Selection criteria

Assessors are required to meet the following selection criteria:

- Must be a current Accredited Practising Dietitian (APD)

- Demonstrated experience in assessing students against the National Competency Standards in an academic and/or relevant practice area environment.