

DA General Policy and Procedure Manual

Professional Recognition and Credentialing

Mandatory Declarations Policy

MEMBERSHIP

Mandatory Declarations:

Declarations required for an initial membership application and/or subsequent membership renewals:

I declare:

- I have read and understood both the DA Code of Professional Conduct and the DA Statement of Ethical Practice. I agree to abide by these professional standards.
- I have not been convicted, nor currently facing charges in any court in Australia, or elsewhere, of any offence punishable by imprisonment for a term of 3 months or longer.
- I know of no information that could cause the Dietitians Australia not be satisfied that I am fit to practice and am a competent person to be a member of DA.
- I consent to allowing my de identified information from membership data to be used for DA internal research to help inform future member services.
- All information I have provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- I agree to notify DA if information relating to any of the above changes as soon as practical.

Assessment of Declarations:

Please contact [DA's Membership Officer](#) if you cannot make any of these declarations. A false declaration will result in review by the DA Complaints and Disciplinary Committee.

Any application requiring assessment will be considered by the Chief Executive Officer and with final approval by the Board. The Dietetic Credentialing Council (DCC) may be consulted regarding the assessment if required.

APD

Mandatory Declarations:

I declare that:

- I have practised dietetics according to the [Definition of Dietetic Practice](#) for a minimum of 1000 hours over the last 5 years*, OR I am participating in a Resumption of Accredited Practise program, OR I have graduated from my entry-level dietetics course within the last 5 years, OR I have passed the DSR exam within the last 5 years.
- I have read and understood the APD Policy and APD Handbook and agree to abide by the requirements of the APD program. I will need to complete the APD program requirements for this year to count as an active APD year.
- If I request to defer my APD status at any point during the upcoming year, I will need to complete the APD program requirements before commencing the deferment for this year to count as an active APD year.
- I am in professional good standing and no existing restrictions to practice in any country.
- I have no pending disciplinary actions domestically or internationally.
- I have read, understood and agree to abode by both the DA Code of Professional Conduct and the DA Statement of Ethical Practice.

Please note: a false declaration may result in review by the DA Complaints and Disciplinary Committee. If you have any questions, or cannot declare any of the statements above, please contact apd@dietitiansaustralia.org.au

**If you are selected for random audit, you will need to provide evidence of this. For details of accepted forms of evidence, please see [APD Handbook](#).*