

Crossing Diverse Bridges

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Purpose of Webinar

**To encourage IDEA
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equity, and access) by
striving to recognize,
respect, and include
differences in the
profession of
nutrition and
dietetics**

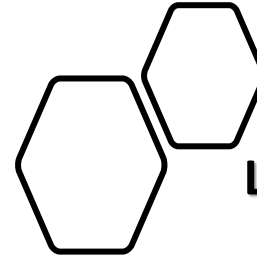
I ***Inclusion***

D ***Diversity***

E ***Equity***

A ***Access***

Every practitioner's business.



Learning Objectives

1. State an ethical takeaway point concerning **beneficence** and dietetics practitioners of color.
2. Describe two benefits that dietetics practitioners of color can uniquely provide to the profession.
3. Explain two ways dietetics practitioners not of color can interact and work more effectively with dietetics practitioners of color.



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Diversity Statistics USA & Academy

	US 2020	CDR 1/2021*	ACEND 1998	ACEND 2020
Gender				
Female	51%	84%	90%	87%
Male	49%	4%	10%	13%
Not Rep	--	12%	--	--
Race/eth				
White	60%	71%	77%	62%
Black/AA	13%	2%	8%	6%
Asian	6%	4%	6%	9%
Hisp/Lat	19%	4%	6%	15%
NH/PI	<1%	1%	Incl w/ Asian	<1%
AI/AN	1%	<1%	1%	1%
Other	3%	2%	--	4%
Not Rep	--	16%	3%	3%

*Baxter SD et al, J Critical Dietetics 6(2):28-44, 2022.

<https://journals.library.ryerson.ca/index.php/criticaldietetics/index>

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- Effective June 1, 2018
- 4 Principles (non-maleficence, autonomy, **beneficence**, justice)
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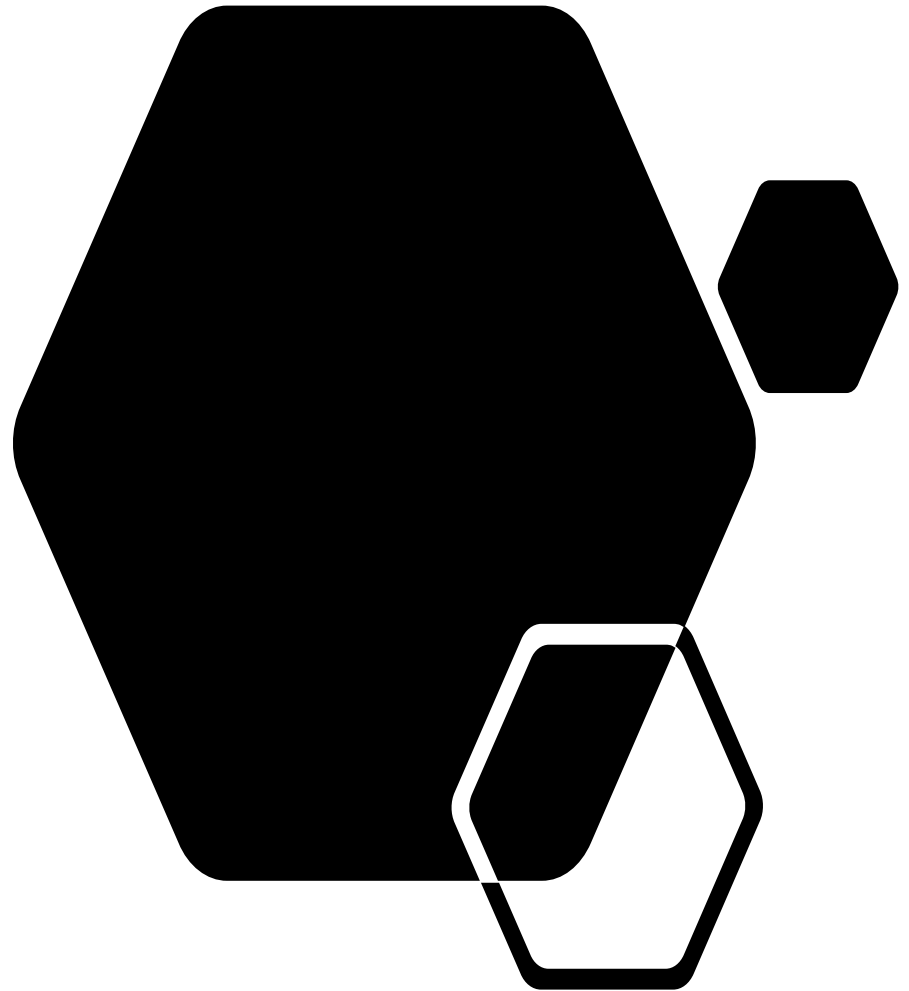
* Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. <https://www.eatrightpro.org/practice/code-of-ethics/what-is-the-code-of-ethics>

Ethics Learning Objective

1. State an ethical takeaway point concerning **beneficence** and dietetics practitioners of color.

Code's 3rd Principle:
Professionalism
(Beneficence)

Definition: Beneficence encompasses taking positive steps to benefit others, which includes balancing benefit and risk.

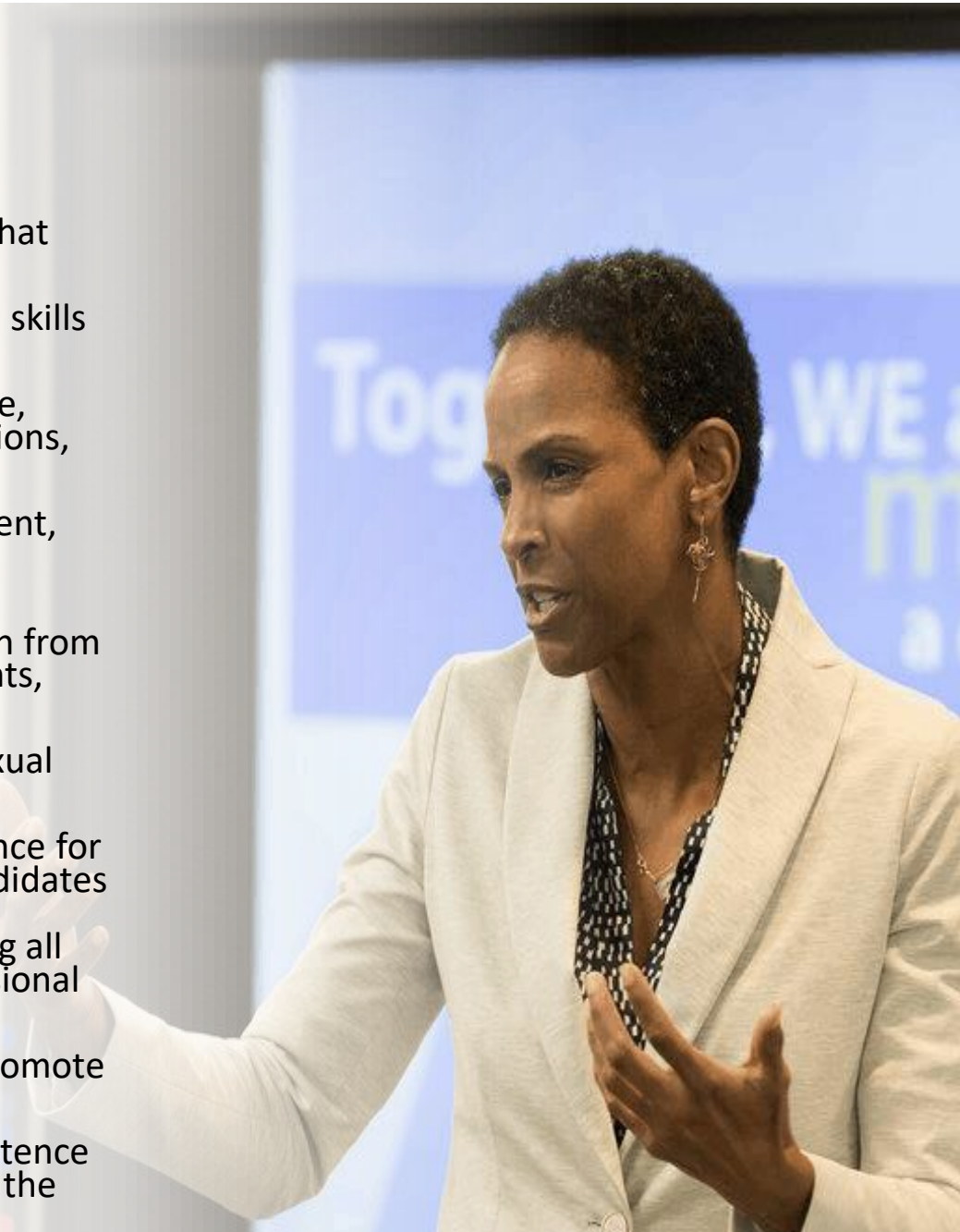


Ethics Learning Objective

3. Professionalism (Beneficence)

Nutrition and dietetics practitioners shall:

- a. Participate in and contribute to decisions that affect the well-being of patients/clients.
- b. Respect the values, rights, knowledge, and skills of colleagues and other professionals.
- c. Demonstrate respect, constructive dialogue, civility and professionalism in all communications, including social media.
- d. Refrain from communicating false, fraudulent, deceptive, misleading, disparaging or unfair statements or claims.
- e. Uphold professional boundaries and refrain from romantic relationships with any patients/clients, surrogates, supervisees, or students.
- f. Refrain from verbal/physical/emotional/sexual harassment.
- g. Provide objective evaluations of performance for employees, coworkers, and students and candidates for employment, professional association memberships, awards, or scholarships, making all reasonable efforts to avoid bias in the professional evaluation of others.
- h. Communicate at an appropriate level to promote health literacy.
- i. Contribute to the advancement and competence of others, including colleagues, students, and the public.



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Speaker asked to include these points in story:

1. Job title, company, & common job responsibilities
2. Where dietetics degree earned & internship completed
3. Challenges encountered on journey to becoming, or while working as, dietetics practitioner of color
4. Why dietetics profession chosen & years as dietetics practitioner
5. What dietetics practitioners of color can uniquely provide to the dietetics profession
6. One example of success as dietetics practitioner of color
7. How dietetics practitioners of color & not of color can interact & work more effectively together
8. How being an Academy member benefited career



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- Disclosure statement : Nothing to disclose



BLACK DIETITIANS

- EARLY BEGINNINGS
- COLLEGE
- INTERNSHIP
- TESTING
- CHALLENGES



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WHY DIETETICS

- FAMILY EXPERIENCE
- FAMILY SUPPORT
- TIME IN THE PROFESSION
- GOALS AND OBJECTIVES TO ACHIEVE AS A BLACK DIETITIAN

UNIQUENESS OF MINORITY DIETITIANS....WHAT WE BRING TO THE TABLE

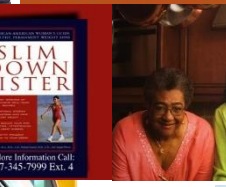
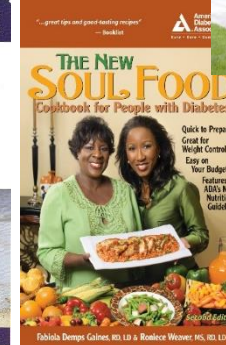
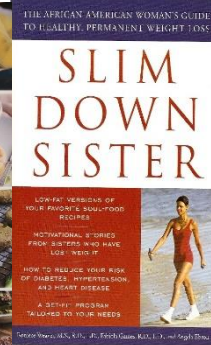
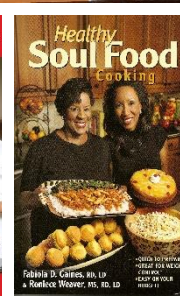
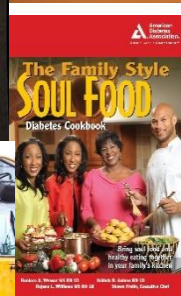
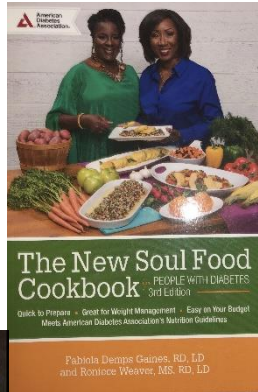
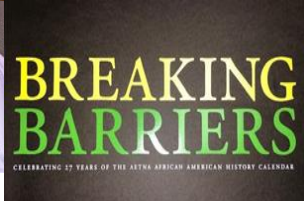
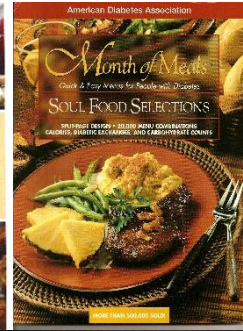
- Understand the health concerns of their own community
- Recognize the SDOH problems and can assist in the resolve
- Identify and live in the same communities that need help
 - Attend church
 - Social gatherings
 - Comfortable with the information is going to be relevant and understandable



WE ARE....



DREAMS SUCCESS FAILURES



Florida Hospital/Fresh Stop Video

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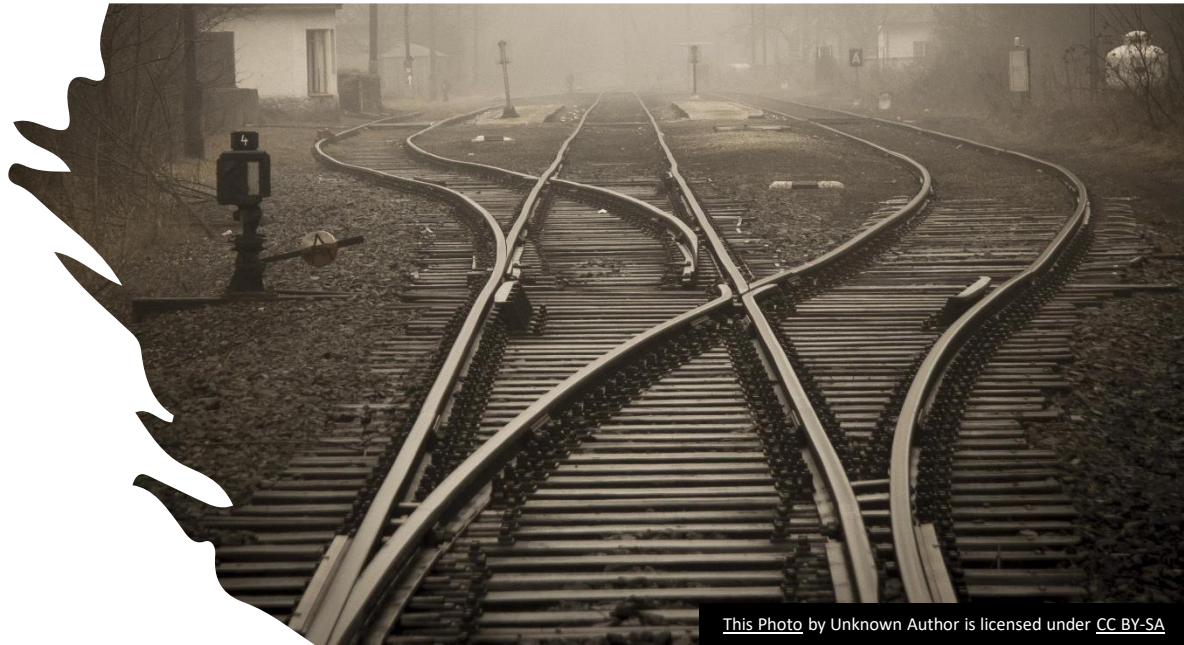




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WHAT CAN ACADEMY MEMBERS DO BETTER TO CROSS BRIDGES

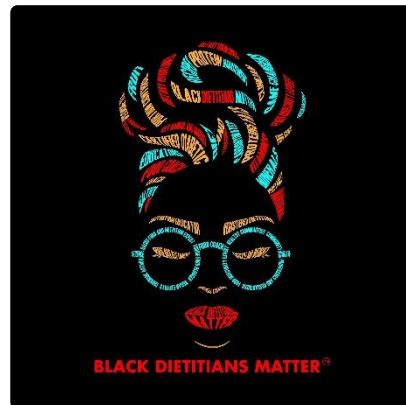
- YOU CAN'T CROSS THE BRIDGE UNTIL YOU BUILD IT
 - WORKING EFFECTIVELY WITH OTHERS
 - WORKING ACROSS THE TABLE, COME TO OUR SIDE
 - BRING SINCERITY, EMPATHY AND COMPASSION IN THE MIX
 - ALIGN CULTURES THAT WANT TO WORK TOGETHER
 - UNDERSTAND THE END USER
 - ADMIT WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW, NO ASSUMPTIONS, ASK, ASK, ASK
 - INVITE US TO THE TABLE, OPEN DIALOGUE, SINCERE INVITATION
 - VALUE WHAT WE ARE WORTH



QUESTIONS/THOUGHTS TO PONDER AND REFLECT

- WHAT CHALLENGED YOU TODAY
- WHAT SITUATIONS MAKE YOU FEEL THANKFUL
- SHARE ONE HABIT YOU'D LIKE TO CHANGE
- IF YOU CAN GO BACK IN TIME AND SAY ONE THING TO YOUR CO-WORKER , WHAT MOMENT WOULD YOU GO BACK , AND WHAT WOULD YOU SAY
- HAS YOUR OWN LIFE EXPERIENCES IMPACTED YOUR CAPACITY TO BE COMPASSIONATE OR SHOW EMPATHY TOWARDS OTHERS
- WHAT CAUSES YOU TO GET STUCK IN A RIGID MINDSET THAT DOESN'T ALLOW YOU TO REFLECT AND CREATE CHANGE
- WHATS HOLDING YOU BACK FROM CROSSING THE BRIDGE, AND WHO DO YOU THINK CAN HELP US WORK TOGETHER

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 - *Cultural Humility and Diversity: Why They're Important*
 - Speaker: Winona Bynum, RDN, PMP

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