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Dear AODA Members,

I hope that 2015 has started well for you. The start of the year has been busy regarding deadlines for awards, voting for the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics positions, and nominations for AODA positions. Things in the email space should settle down now as those deadlines pass.

In saying that, please consider becoming involved in the voting process for the AND leadership as well as nominating worthy candidates for the AODA positions.

In this email, there are several opportunities to provide feedback for food safety and prevention of noncommunicable diseases. It would be great to share your collective knowledge and experience with these projects.

Sincerely,
Your Newsletter Editor
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AODA Website Volunteer

The "Members Only" portion of the AODA website is still not available due to the recent change in providers, which required reconstruction of the website. If you would like to volunteer some time to help update the content, please contact aoda.general@gmail.com

Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Foundation Awards

Apply now for the following Academy Foundation Awards. For more information or to access the application, please visit <http://www.eatright.org/foundation/awards/>. The deadline to apply is **February 1, 2015**. Questions may be directed to 800.877.1600, extension 767

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American Overseas Dietetic Association International Project Award

The purpose of this fund is to foster collaboration and the sharing of knowledge and skills among food and nutrition professionals in the international community. The award will be given to AODA members who intend to work in partnership with another food or nutrition professional on a project that will benefit the local community of one of the individuals. The premise is that the AODA member and colleague will have somewhat different knowledge and skill sets that, when brought together, will serve to fulfill a special project.

Award amount: \$3,000

First International Nutritionist/Dietitian (FIND) Fellowship for Study in the USA

This award is given to assist foreign nationals who are pursuing postgraduate work in the USA and have a clearly articulated plan to return to their country.

Award amount: \$2,200

Wimpfheimer-Guggenheim Fund for International Exchange in Nutrition, Dietetics and Management

This award is given to provide for the international exchange of needed nutrition, dietetic and/or management information for the benefit of the nutritional health of the world community. Up to two awards may be given.

Award amount: \$1,100

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Innovations in Practice and Education Abstracts

The Council on Future Practice is now accepting abstracts for its annual Innovations in Dietetics Practice and Education session at FNCE in Nashville. This session is designed to showcase innovations in the education and training of students and practitioners. To learn more about the session, please visit [the website](#). Please submit abstracts before **February 20, 2015** at <http://www.eatright.org/fnce/abstractsubmission>.

Food Safety Focus for World Health Day 2015

The World Health Organization has announced that the focus of [World Health Day 2015](#) on **April 7** will be Food Safety. As our food supply becomes increasingly globalized, the need to strengthen food safety systems in and between all countries is becoming more and more evident. The WHO is promoting efforts to improve food safety, from farm to plate (and everywhere in between).

Integrating Nutrition in Farmer Field Schools

MEAS (Modernizing Extension and Advisory Services) recently released an evaluation of the integration of nutrition in farmer field schools in eastern Africa. The 7 page [report](#) provides information about the project, key lessons learned, and recommendations for the future.

More information about the project, case studies, and the full report can be found on the [website](#).

Resources for Nutrition Education and School Gardens in Primary Schools

Looking for resources to help integrate food and nutrition education in the primary school curriculum or to grow and prepare garden food at school? The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations provides a variety of resources to help with this, including [Nutrition Education in Primary Schools: A Planning Guide for Curriculum Development](#) and [Setting Up and Running a School Garden: Teaching Toolkit](#).

For more information and to access more resources, visit the [website](#).

Comment on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement on Proposed Produce Rule

The US Food and Drug Administration has published a notice that the [Draft Environmental Impact Statement \(EIS\)](#) for the proposed produce safety rule, entitled *Standards for Growing, Harvesting, Packing, and Holding Produce for Human Consumption*, is available for public comment.

The draft EIS focuses on 4 areas: definition of covered farms, water quality standards, use of raw manure and compost, and provisions affecting domesticated and wild animals.

The FDA estimates that the rule, if implemented as proposed, would prevent an estimated 1.57 million foodborne illnesses each year.

The comment period is 60 days, from **Monday, January 12, 2015** to **Friday, March 13, 2015**.

There will a public meeting on the EIS on Tuesday, **February 10, 2015** in College Park, MD, USA.

The full notice can be viewed [here](#).

Comment on the World Health Organization Discussion Paper for Noncommunicable Diseases

Five policy briefs and a discussion paper have been made available by the World Health Organization Global Coordination Mechanism on Noncommunicable Diseases

(WHO GCM/NCD) Working Group for public comment.

The Working Group will assess relevant activities to date, consider the challenges to greater progress, and identify approaches that have worked best at its first meeting February 18-19, 2015 in Geneva.

The Working Group is requesting feedback and examples of successful initiatives from Member States and other interested parties. This will provide input for the development of recommendations to the WHO Director-General. Please provide feedback to gcmncd@who.int by **February 6, 2015**.

For more information and the documents, please visit the [website](#).

Nutrition and Hydration Week 2015

Nutrition and Hydration Week will be held **March 18-22, 2015**, with the Worldwide Afternoon Tea occurring on Wednesday, **March 18, 2015**.

Nutrition and Hydration Week was created by the 2 leading professional associations in the United Kingdom for health (Hospital Caterers Association [HCA]) and social care (National Association of Care Catering [NACC]).

The mission of the week is to create a global movement to reinforce and focus energy, activity, and engagement on nutrition and hydration as an important part of quality care, experience, and safety improvement in health and social care settings.

For more information about the week and to see how you can be involved, please visit the [website](#).

Update from the House of Delegates Representative

There are currently 2 [proposed amendments](#) to the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics bylaws regarding the current Retired Membership Category and a potential International Student Category. If you have any feedback regarding these proposed changes, please email the AODA representative to the House of Delegates at hdc@eatrightoverseas.org

Open Country Representative Positions

We are currently seeking volunteers to act as country representatives (CRs) in **Zimbabwe** and **Kenya**.

As a CR, you would:

- Represent AODA within the country by establishing relationships with nutrition associations and dietetic professionals.
- Integrate AODA members for nutrition issues within

the country.

- Serve as an expert resource for AODA/Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics and interested parties for all nutrition issues within the country.

For more information or to share your thoughts, please contact Marianella Herrera, AODA Country Representative Chair, at cr-chair@eatrightoverseas.org

Membership Benefit Corner

Educational Stipend

AODA is proud to offer two (2), \$500.00 USD Educational Stipends per year to members who would like to attend a food/nutrition related conference. Awardees are members who qualify for the stipend and complete the application form according to the guidelines. AODA members are encouraged to read about the criteria to see if they qualify for the stipend. To download the application (which includes the criteria), click [here](#).

All applications should be emailed to the [Member Services Chair](#).

For a conference between June 1, 2015 and November 30, 2015, the application deadline is **January 31, 2015**.

Job Opportunities

Monash University is seeking a Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Nutrition and Dietetics. The position is located in Melbourne, VIC, Australia. More information about the position can be found [here](#).

Note: Positions are not necessarily endorsed by AODA or the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

CPE and Training Events

Malnutrition screening and assessment in paediatrics

This presentation will clarify the anthropometric related definitions of malnutrition in infants and children and discuss boarder classifications of paediatric malnutrition. The global and local incidence of malnutrition will be examined including the findings of the first Australian multisite study to investigate the prevalence of malnutrition in paediatric inpatients.

Webinar, March 5, 2015, 2-3pm AEDT

Commission on Dietetic Registration Certificate of Training in Adult Weight Management Program

This program is designed to produce providers of comprehensive weight management care who also know when and how to refer patients to other specialists.

New Brunswick, NJ, USA, March 20-22, 2015

New Orleans, LA, USA, June 4-6, 2015

Nashville, TN, USA (pre-FNCE), October 1-3, 2015
Virginia Beach, VA, USA, October 22-24, 2015

Commission on Dietetic Registration Certificate of Training in Childhood and Adolescent Weight Management

This program is designed to produce providers of comprehensive weight management care for children and adolescents who also know when and how to refer patients to other specialists.

Charlotte, NC, USA, March 12-14, 2015

Buffalo, NY, USA, September 10-12, 2015

Commission on Dietetic Registration Level 2 Certificate of Training in Adult Weight Management Program

Charlotte, NC, USA, May 14-16, 2015

MEAS Symposium 2015

The MEAS consortium and others committed to strengthening extension systems in developing countries will converge to deliberate and strategize on their role for the future of extension and advisory systems. How can we best strengthen extension systems in developing countries in order to reduce poverty and increase food security?

What are the lessons from the MEAS experience and the experience of partners around the world? How can we sustain impacts to result in improved services for small-holder farmers, especially women farmers?

Washington DC, USA, June 3-5, 2015

Dannon Institute 2015 Early Career Nutrition Leadership Institute (NLI)

The Dannon Institute 2015 Early Career Nutrition Leadership Institute (NLI) will be held June 6-11, 2015 in Maryland.

Note: Training events are not necessarily endorsed by AODA or the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

Save the Dates: Upcoming Conferences and Events

2015 National Anti-Hunger Policy Conference

Washington, D.C., March 1-3, 2015

International Conference on Urban Health (ICUH 2015)

Dhaka, Bangladesh, March 9-12, 2015

Dietitian Day

Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, March 13, 2015

2nd Annual Food, Nutrition and Agriculture Genomics Congress

London, UK, April 20-21, 2015

8th Annual World Protein and Peptide Conference (PepCon-2015)

Nanjing, China, April 25-28, 2015

4th International Conference and Exhibition on Metabolomics and Systems Biology

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA, April 27-29, 2015

2015 Science of Nutrition in Medicine Conference

Melbourne, Australia, May 2-3, 2015

A Symposium on Diabetes by the Athens Institute for Education and Research (ATINER)

Athens, Greece, May 4-7, 2015

Agencies for Nutrition Action 6th National Nutrition and Physical Activity Conference

Auckland, New Zealand, May 6-7, 2015

ACN2015: 12th Asian Congress of Nutrition

Yokohama, Japan, May 14-18, 2015

5th Annual Leverhulme Centre for Integrative Research on Agriculture and Health (LCIRAH) Research Conference

London, England, June 3-4, 2015

Healthy Aging Summit

Washington DC, USA, July 27-28, 2015

Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo (FNCE) 2015

Nashville, TN, USA, October 3-6, 2015

Call for abstracts now open

11th International Food Data Conference

Hyderabad, India, November 3-5, 2015

New Members & Supporters

The AODA would like to extend a warm welcome to our new members and supporters:

Sweden

Cerena Long

United States

Basma Alwuhaib

Tafere Belay

Michelle Huynh

Emma Steiner

Denine Stracker

Tran Tang

Mission:

Empower members to be international food and nutrition ambassadors

Vision:
Optimize health internationally through food and nutrition

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