



SDA Board Position: MAL of Legislation

As laid out in the bylaws, the MAL of Legislation is responsible for the Legislation Committee (and the ad hoc Restricted Activities Committee) whose function it is:

- a) to monitor federal, provincial and municipal legislation affecting dietitians and the dietetic profession, and to make recommendations to the Board or Association for action where required;
- b) to review the Act and Bylaws of the Association and to make recommendations to the Board regarding necessary changes;
- c) upon the direction of the Board, to draft changes to the Act and Bylaws; and
- d) to review policies and procedures to ensure consistency with the Act and Bylaws.

What type of things does the MAL do?

The MAL attends all of the SDA Board meetings (either in person or via teleconference). There is usually 8-10 meetings per year and they vary in length and location.

Additionally, the MAL oversees the work of the legislation committee and ad hoc restricted activities committee. This committee typically meets via teleconference. Teleconferences are called on an as needed basis. This committee has been monitoring what is going on in other provinces with regard to restricted activities/advanced practice.

Estimated number of hours: 36 hours/year (about 3 hours/month)

A minimum of 8 meetings per year with the SDA Board.

Maybe 2 teleconferences per year with the restricted activities committee, lasting about 1 hour each.