

Standard 5. Collaborative Practice

Standard

Registered Dietitians partner with **clients** and **team members** in the collaborative and coordinated delivery of **professional services**.

Indicators

To demonstrate this standard, Registered Dietitians will:

- a) Contribute professional knowledge to discussions and interactions with clients and team members.
- b) Clarify and explain their professional roles and responsibilities in discussions with clients and team members.
- c) Respect clients' and team members' perspectives and responsibilities, while acknowledging overlapping roles and scopes of practice.
- d) Consult with and/or refer as required, when the client's needs may be more appropriately met by another Registered Dietitian or team member.
- e) Effectively manage conflict with clients and team members.
- f) Communicate clearly and respectfully with clients and team members, at all times to facilitate **collaboration**.

Practice Outcome

Clients can expect Registered Dietitians to provide collaborative, professional, **client-centered services**.

Related Standards

- Assessment and Interventions
- Boundaries
- Client-Centred Services
- Communication
- Privacy/Confidentiality

Resources

- Alliance for Canadian Dietetic Regulatory Bodies. (2017). *The Competencies for Dysphagia Assessment and Management in Dietetic Practice*. Available at: http://www.saskdietitians.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/Competencies-for-Dysphagia-Assessment-and-Management-in-Dietetic-Practice_June-2017.pdf
- Canadian Interprofessional Health Collaborative. (2010). *A National Interprofessional Competency Framework*. Available at: http://www.cihc.ca/files/CIHC_IPCompetencies_Feb1210.pdf
- Integrated Competencies for Dietetic Education and Practice v.3 Available at: <https://www.saskdietitians.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Integrated-Competencies-For-Dietetic-Education-And-Practice-ICDEPV-3-August-4-2020.pdf>

Saskatchewan Resources

- Saskatchewan College of Dietitians. (2005). *Code of Ethics*. Available at: <https://www.saskdietitians.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/SCD-Code-of-Ethics-2005.pdf>