

NDTRE and DTR Misuse

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Over the years, CDR has stated that NDTRE and DTRE is not a credential and should not be used. This information is also located on the CDR website. Students completing their supervised practice program must sign a NDTRE and DTRE Misuse form for their program director regarding this fabricated credential. In addition, each student is provided with a copy of the misuse document to retain in their file. Anyone can file a complaint with CDR on an individual using NDTRE or DTRE, DTR Eligible or NDTR Eligible, Dietetic Technician, Registered Eligible, or Nutrition Dietetic Technician, Registered Eligible if they are not registered as a NDTR or DTR with CDR. This would include ‘ndtr’ or “dtr” in their email address prior to passing the exam for dietetic technicians.

NDTRE or DTRE is the acronym and NDTR Eligible or DTR Eligible or Nutrition and Dietetics Technician, Registered Eligible or Dietetic Technician, Registered Eligible is the same only spelled out.

Please refrain from using *NDTRE*, *DTRE*, *NDTR Eligible*, *DTR Eligible*, *Nutrition and Dietetics Technician*, *Registered Eligible*, *Dietetic Technician*, *Registered Eligible* and ‘dtr’ or ‘ndtr’ in your e-mail.

We refer you to the CDR Web Site, www.cdrnet.org, to become familiar with terminology for registration eligible candidates. When the home page opens up click on RDN or RD and DTR or NDTR Credentials in the left hand column, then click on Nutrition and Dietetics Technician Registered (NDTR) or Dietetic Technician, Registered (DTR), and then click on Registration Eligibility General Information for the following message. The CDR website direct link is: <http://www.cdrnet.org/certifications/registration-eligibility-general-information.dtre>

What does the term *registration eligible* mean?

The term *registration eligible* is used by the Commission on Dietetic Registration to identify individuals who have met the didactic and supervised practice requirements to write the registration examination. The Commission will verify upon request that an individual has met registration eligibility requirements and the eligibility date. The term *NDTRE or DTRE* is not a professional designation/credential. The commission has noted with concern an increase in the use of the term *NDTRE or DTRE* to designate registration eligibility. Both employers and the public find the use of the term confusing.

Does the Commission recognize the professional designation *NDTRE or DTRE*?

No. The term is not a professional designation/credential.

Should you be using the term NDTRE or DTRE, please discontinue use immediately and replace it with “registration eligible.” Individuals who use the terms NDTRE or DTRE are frequently reported to CDR regarding their misuse, and must be told to discontinue its use via a “cease and desist” order.