

MAINE ACADEMY OF NUTRITION AND DIETETICS

JOB DESCRIPTION: State Policy Representative

The state policy representative will serve a 3-year term as a voting member of the MAND board of directors.

The State Policy Representative (SPR) is responsible for:

1. Gaining consensus within the affiliate in establishing three state public policy priorities. Maintain a program of work consistent with selected priorities.
2. Assists State Regulatory Specialist in tracking state legislative and regulatory issues of importance to Registered Dietitians and overseeing the affiliate's response to emerging opportunities and problems.
3. Engaging with appropriate leaders—including DPG representatives in the state—to manage practice matters and delegate responsibility for specific issues to individuals with expert knowledge or interest to lead affiliate action in a particular effort.
4. Coordinating appointments with Governor's office, state health officials, state legislators and other to raise the profile of the association.
5. Ensuring that the affiliate has an up-to-date compendium of all statutes and rules that impact dietetics practice, including scope of practice, facility and program requirements and any other document that defines the requirements and responsibilities for dietitians in your state.
6. Supporting members who connect with local contacts, including school systems, local Boards of Health, and similar groups with Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) stances and affiliate materials.
7. Coordinating with the Public Policy Coordinator on issues to assure that the affiliate stance is consistent with AND's.
8. Serving on the Affiliate Public Policy Panel in a substantive role. Act as a liaison with the AND Director of State Government Relations in to collaboratively consider the affiliate's response to emerging opportunities and problems.

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