



## Dietitians in Nutrition Support



A DIETETIC PRACTICE GROUP OF  
THE AMERICAN DIETETIC ASSOCIATION  
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Dear DNS member,

Enclosed is the Professional Development Scholarship (PDS) application you requested. The Dietitians in Nutrition Support (DNS) PDS is designed to assist members in obtaining continuing education (educational programs or post-graduate courses). Each year, there are four scholarships available: 2 in the fall for \$1250 and \$1000 each and 2 in the spring for \$1250 and \$1000 each. The upcoming application deadlines are 11/15/2007 and 5/15/2008. The DNS Nominating Committee will notify scholarship applicants of the status of their application in late November and early June, respectively.

Application criteria: To receive a PDS scholarship, you must be a member of The American Dietetic Association and DNS Practice Group for at least two consecutive years prior to application and be employed in a position with nutrition support responsibilities. Factors that are considered when scoring the applications include the extent to which:

- 1) you are employed in a position with responsibilities in nutrition support
- 2) the program is relevant the mission, goals and vision of DNS
- 3) objectives for attending the meeting or post-graduate course are clearly stated
- 4) the meeting/course is relevant to achieving your career goals
- 5) the meeting/course is relevant to your professional goals and objectives
- 6) the meeting/course will impact your professional practice and enhance your competency

To apply for a scholarship, return an electronic copy of the completed application form (via email) along with information about the meeting/course you wish to attend. Alternatively, you can mail 3 copies of the completed application form, a copy of the program brochure, and a statement of registration and related fees to me.

Scholarship recipients must submit a summary of the program and benefits derived from attendance. This summary may be published on the DNS website or in a DNS publication, as appropriate.

I look forward to receipt of your application for a Professional Development Scholarship. If you have any questions, call me or email me at any time.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Thompson PhD, RD, CNSD  
DNS Nominating Committee Chair  
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**APPLICATION FORM FOR DNS PROFESSIONAL  
DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ADA MEMBERSHIP # \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL SECURITY # \_\_\_\_\_ DNS MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_ (#OF YEARS)

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

POSITION/TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRAM/EVENT/POST-GRADUATE COURSE TO BE ATTENDED

DATE OF PROGRAM/COURSE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL FUNDS AVAILABLE TO YOU FOR THIS PROGRAM \$ \_\_\_\_\_

BRIEF STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY OF PROGRAM TO YOUR PROFESSIONAL GOALS

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Along with this form, include a typewritten statement, not to exceed 3 pages in length (double spaced), describing the extent of your current job responsibilities related to nutrition support, your career goals, specific objectives for attending the program/event, and how the program will impact your practice (see scoring criteria above). The statement must also include an estimate of how funds will be used, a timetable for the program, and a statement of agreement to submit a written report of the program attended within 30 days of attendance.

Send application packet by e-mail to the Nominating Committee Chair:

Cheryl Thompson

[nominating.committee.chair@dnsdpg.org](mailto:nominating.committee.chair@dnsdpg.org) or [cwthompson@hotmail.com](mailto:cwthompson@hotmail.com)

Call if you have questions: (801) 363-3699