

Student Instructions

At the conclusion of your supervised practice or didactic program, your program director will provide you with online and hard-copy forms that are to be completed and returned to them so they can initiate the eligibility application process with CDR.

- **Verification Statements** - *You will receive five original Verification Statements (VS) upon completion of your program. These documents may be required by prospective employers, licensure boards and to the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.*
- [RDE Misuse Policy](#)
- [DTRE Misuse Policy](#)
- [Name/Address Change Form](#)
- [Exam Preparation—RD](#)
- [Exam Preparation—DTR](#)

Registration Eligibility Processing System

Once your program director has verified that you have completed all of the academic and supervised practice requirements for eligibility, they will submit your information to CDR via REPS. You will then receive an email requesting that you complete an online application form. Until you have completed this step, you will NOT be processed for registration eligibility, nor will you be able to schedule your examination. **Please note**, if the name on your valid, government-issued, photo ID does not match CDR and Pearson VUE's systems, you will be turned away from the testing center and lose your examination fee. **Contact your program director if they have entered your name in REPS incorrectly.**

If you have questions about your application status, please contact your program director. Other inquiries related to registration eligibility can be emailed to cdrexams@eatright.org.

Timelines and Procedures

The normal **processing time** for a candidate submission is a week. Once your application has been approved, you will receive an email confirming your registration eligibility from CDR and an Authorization to Test email from CDR's testing vendor Pearson VUE within 48 hours. The Authorization to Test email, which expires one year from the date of issuance, includes a link to the Handbook for Candidates—[for RDs](#) and [for DTRs](#)—with information on setting up an account on Pearson VUE's website.

- [Eligibility Application and Examination Infographic](#)
- [Eligibility Application Processing Timeline](#)
- [Information for Newly Credentialed Practitioners](#)
- [DTR Credential Option—Bachelor's Degree & DPD](#)