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Licensees, under the Dietetics/Nutrition Practice Act of 1989, will perform their professional duties using the following code of ethics which reflects the ethical principles of the dietetic profession and outlines obligations of the licensee to self, client, society and the profession.

(a) The licensee provides professional service with objectivity and with respect for the unique needs and values of individuals avoiding discrimination, and provides sufficient information to enable clients to make informed decisions.

(b) The licensee accurately presents professional qualifications and credentials, and does not permit the use of these credentials by an unqualified person.

(c) The licensee remains free of conflict of interest and promotes or endorses products in a manner that is neither false nor misleading.

(d) The licensee assumes responsibility and accountability for personal competence in practice through continuing education and recognition of the limits of his/her ability and adherence to accepted standards of practice.

(e) The licensee presents substantiated information and interprets controversial information without personal bias, recognizing legitimate differences of opinion.

(f) The licensee maintains the confidentiality of information.

(g) The licensee conducts him/herself with honesty, integrity, and fairness in all aspects of professional life and advertises services in a factual and straightforward manner.

(h) The licensee shall not be addicted to or dependent upon alcohol or other habit forming drugs or be a habitual user of

narcotics, barbiturates, amphetamines, hallucinogenics, or other drugs having similar effects upon the competency of the licensee.

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