

## Fall 2017 House of Delegates Meeting Recap

- **Championing Nutrition and Dietetics Practitioners in Roles of Leadership in Public Health**
- **Draft Code of Ethics: Education and Communication Strategies**

### House of Delegates

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics House of Delegates (HOD) discussed two topics using Appreciative Inquiry (AI) during the fall 2017 HOD Meeting on October 20-21, 2017 in Chicago, IL:

- Championing Nutrition and Dietetics Practitioners in Roles of Leadership in Public Health
- Draft Code of Ethics: Education and Communication Strategies

#### **Championing Nutrition and Dietetics Practitioners in Roles of Leadership in Public Health**

##### **Mega Issue Question:**

**How can nutrition and dietetics practitioners secure influential public health positions in institutions, organizations, and government bodies?**

#### Objectives:

1. Understand the relevance of public health leadership roles to the profession.
2. Recognize themes or significant trends among leaders that facilitated their rise to public health leadership.
3. Stimulate discussions on what systems, structures, and collaborations must be in place to help nutrition and dietetics practitioners pursue this high level of leadership.
4. Identify key action steps nutrition and dietetics practitioners can take to:
  - a. prepare for and pursue public health leadership positions
  - b. advocate for current and future opportunities.

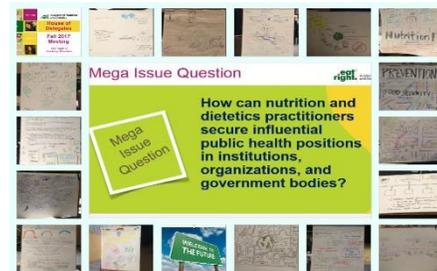
Prior to the HOD meeting, delegates [interviewed](#) current **high level/executive leaders in public health**.

The information from the interviews, [backgrounder/fact sheet](#), presentations, and dialogue discussions were used to complete the AI stages, **discover and dream**, during the HOD meeting.

#### **Ten theme areas in Public Health Nutrition emerged:**



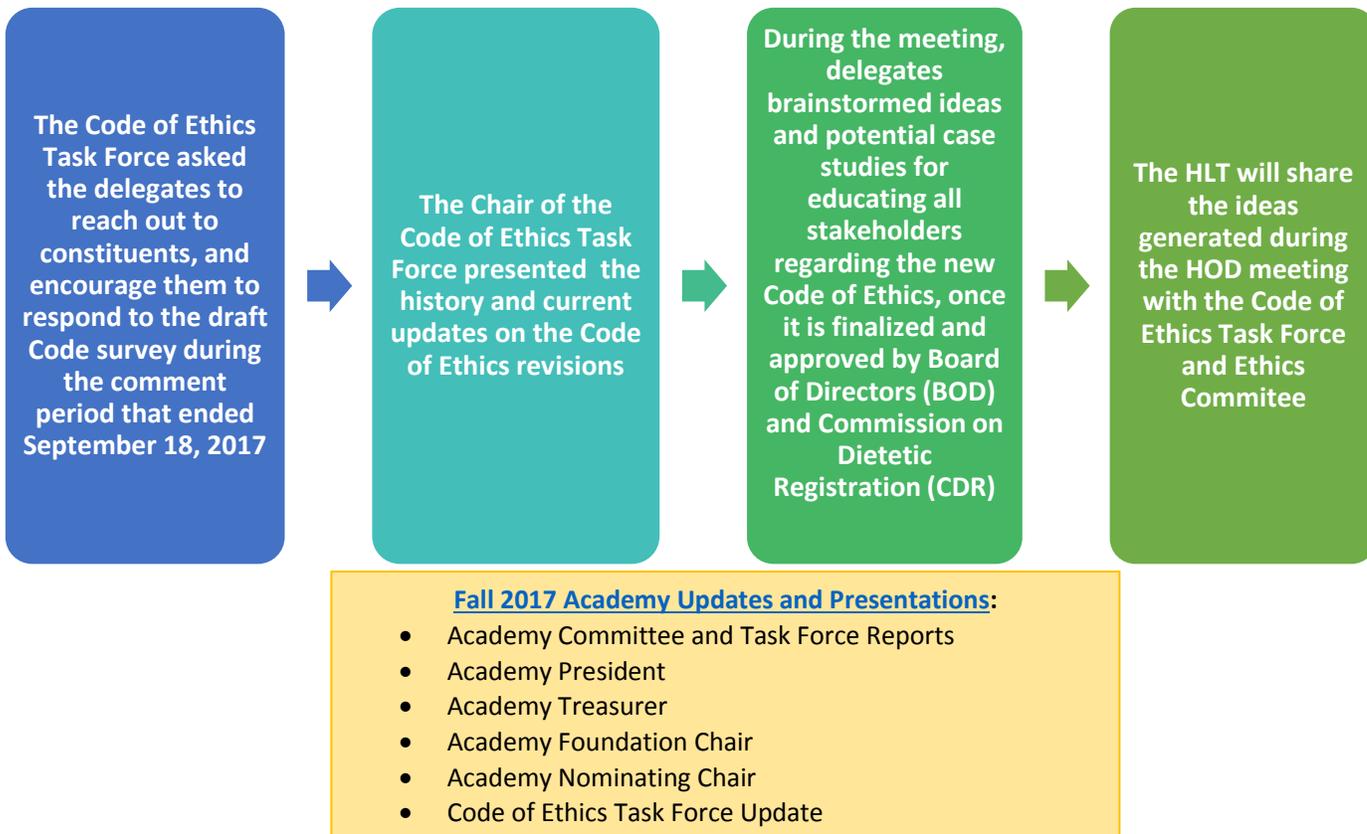
- Open Space Sessions were held on Friday afternoon. All meeting participants brainstormed ideas for advancing leadership roles in public health and answered the following questions:
  - What action steps or changes are needed to make your theme a reality, in order to prepare us to pursue public health leadership positions?
  - What would represent a “breakthrough achievement” for your theme area?
- Meeting participants advanced to the **design phase** of AI where groups further built upon the themes and ideas, including the steps needed to move roles of leadership in public health forward.
- Currently, the House Leadership Team (HLT) is reviewing the HOD workbooks from the dialogue and will be discussing the next steps for the **deploy** phase of AI.



**Draft Code of Ethics: Education and Communication Strategies**  
**Dialogue Question:**  
**How can we communicate and educate relevant stakeholders on the finalized and approved Code of Ethics?**

**Objectives:**

1. Identify effective communication and education strategies for the final revised and approved Code of Ethics.
2. Assist in identifying case examples/scenarios related to the proposed principles in the draft Code of Ethics.



**Additional Information**

All meeting materials and follow-up information will be posted on the [HOD pages](#) of the Academy website (Eat Right Pro> Leadership> House of Delegates> About HOD Meetings> Fall 2017 HOD Meeting Materials).

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