

Minutes

International Nutrition and Dietetics Terminology Working Group

Monday 21 June 2010

Time: 2.00 – 3.00pm AEST

Place: Teleconference

1. **Attendees:** Annette Byron Kate Paul (chair and minutes), Julie Hulcombe, Angela Vivanti, Maree Ferguson, Anna Kyriopoulos, Natalie Simmance, Suzie Ferrie, Lisa Sossen, Franica Yovich

Apologies –

Not present - Loretta Buffalino, Lyn Edwards, Nicole Micalleff, Therese O’Sullivan

2. Welcomed new member, Franica Yovich of Auckland as Dietitians NZ representative.

3. Chairperson

Maree Ferguson expressed interest to National Office in chairing the working group. *Maree Ferguson appointed as chair.*

4. Workplan discussion

- Query about using a ‘pared down’ or shorter version of the terminology for implementation in Australia in the first instance. Some agreement that this was more realistic and one US study on using a list of the most commonly used terms. Vitamins and minerals terms/columns may not be needed/essential. Terms used are likely to be site /team specific ie hospital vs private practice vs different area of practice.
- The full manual is daunting. ADA do have a one pager in the manual that can be used as a supportive tool. Manual is available electronically from ADA as a dictionary but sites need to have a customised front end to use this. A license from ADA is also required but this is not expensive for organisations. ***ACTION: DAA to progress contact with ADA regarding access to materials.***
- Some workplan activities require a working group volunteer member to touch base with various organisations to let them know what dietitians are working towards and look for opportunities and make contacts:
 - liaison with Centre for health Service Development (Maree agreed)
 - liaison with Health Information Managers Association (Angela agreed)***Group agreed that a letter introducing DAA to these organisations would be the preferred first step. ACTION: DAA to draft a letter to these groups. To include Health Informatics Society of Australia and National Allied Health Classification Committee.***
- Software developers to be identified. ***Group agreed that DAA should write to each jurisdiction/ health department Director General*** asking that our information be directed to the relevant e-health team/unit. The letter should highlight that there is an IDNT, an affordable licence fee for the dataset, where to get it from and what DAA is doing. ***ACTION: Send letter as above and also contact David Gonski (NETHA chair). Add link to licensing info on the DAA webpage. Send email to DAA members via IDNT and Dietitians in Management listserves to: identify software***

developers, request IDNT project details to be added and send DAA IDNT webpage link.

- Listserve and webpage are set up. List serve is subscribed but not active. We need to encourage discussion and information sharing. More projects could be added to webpage to aid members in seeking IDNT implementation mentors. ***ACTION: Group to send any project details to Kate via kpaul@daa.asn.au to add to webpage.*** Requests for information as above to be sent to list serve subscribers.
- ADA has supplementary resources to aid implementation, eg. powerpoint presentations and practice area specific tools. ***Group agreed DAA needs an agreement with ADA to access these. Also agreed that regular webinars/web-conferences on implementation projects be supported and promoted to DAA members.***
- We need to identify state base champions in both hospitals and universities. ***ACTION: DAA national office to send an email to members eg via weekly email re whether individuals are using NCP and/or implementing e-health record (and which company they are working with)***

5. Next meetings

Monday 12 July, 2-3pm. Apology: Angela

Monday 20 September, 2-3pm