

Spring 2017 House of Delegates Meeting Outcomes

Future Practice

Wellness and Prevention Using Appreciative Inquiry

House of Delegates

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics House of Delegates (HOD) discussed two topics using Appreciative Inquiry during the Virtual Meeting on April 22-23, 2017: 1) **Future Practice**, 2) **Wellness and Prevention**.

Future Practice - April 22, 2017

Mega Issue Question:

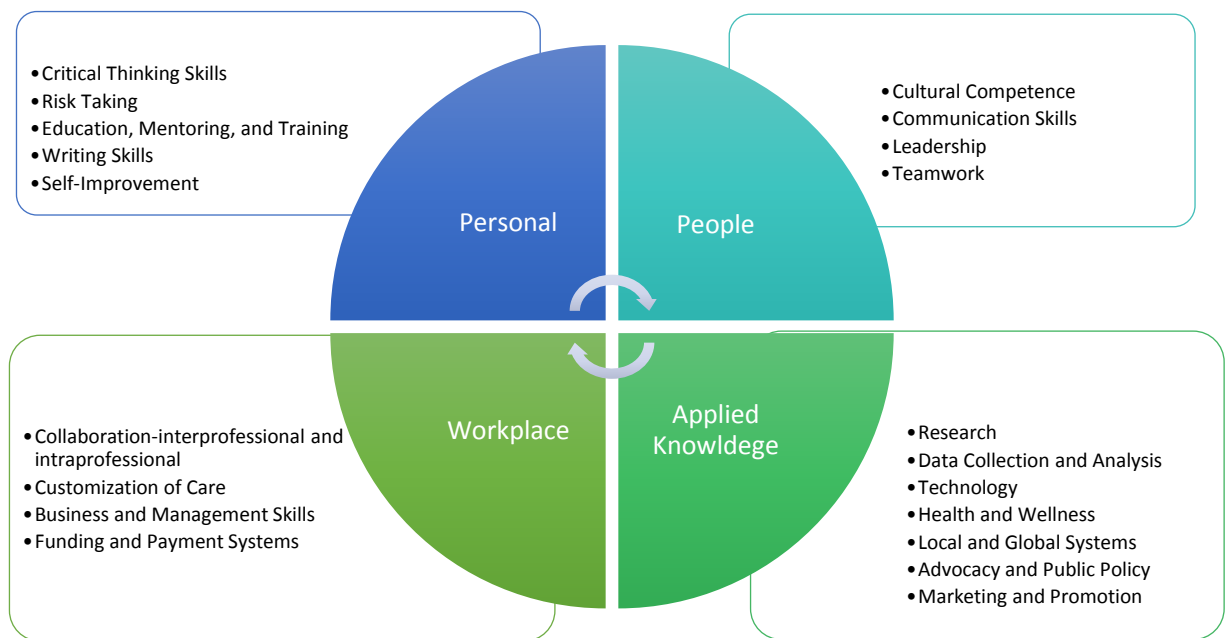
How can credentialed nutrition and dietetics practitioners elevate the profession, expand opportunities, and enhance practice for the Second Century?

Objectives:

1. Share current efforts underway by the Academy and its organizational units to identify and meet the needs of the Second Century workforce.
2. Create a vision of a Second Century workplace.
3. Generate ideas to close the gap between current and future practice.
4. Recognize skills and professional development needed for current and future practitioners.

After a rich dialogue the HOD approved the following Call to Action:

The House of Delegates challenges all existing and new credentialed nutrition and dietetics practitioners, in all areas of practice, to take action to elevate and expand their competencies in the following areas to achieve the desired vision of future practice.



Actions for Future Practice

The **House of Delegates** should play an integral role in encouraging all credentialed nutrition and dietetics practitioners to advance skills and elevate practice to compete in the Second Century workforce.

- **The House Leadership Team, in conjunction with Academy committees and staff partners**, will compile a list of tools and resources available to support professional development in key areas noted above.
- **Delegates** will identify and share education and professional development opportunities to help members advance practice and keep pace.
- **Delegates** will work with their boards/executive committees to create an action plan identifying ways to incorporate change drivers and future practice areas into their plans of work.

“If the nutrition and dietetics profession is not moving forward, it is being left behind.”

2013 Council on Future Practice

Visioning Report and Consensus Agreement for Moving Forward the Continuum of Dietetics Education, Credentialing, and Practice

All Credentialed Nutrition and Dietetics Practitioners have a responsibility to develop strategies to create and achieve a future vision that will better meet the needs of clients, customers, society, and the profession by:

- Using the [Second Century Initiative](#) and the Council on Future Practice’s [Visioning Report 2017: Preferred Path Forward for the Nutrition and Dietetics Profession](#) to imagine and create the future of nutrition and dietetics.
- Expanding leadership skills, collaborative skills, and communication skills by utilizing current programs and by creating new educational opportunities through collaboration with Academy groups such as the Affiliates, Dietetic Practice Groups (DPGs) and Member Interest Groups (MIGs) and external stakeholders.
- Taking personal action to gain new skills, knowledge, and education as life-long learners.
- Being assertive and visionary leaders in the nutrition and dietetics profession.

The full Call to Action for Future Practice document can be found at

<http://www.eatrightpro.org/resource/leadership/house-of-delegates/about-hod-meetings/spring-meeting-materials>.

Wellness and Prevention - April 23, 2017

Mega Issue Question:

How can we as Academy members capitalize on our strengths to create a future where credentialed nutrition and dietetics practitioners play an integral role in Wellness and Prevention?

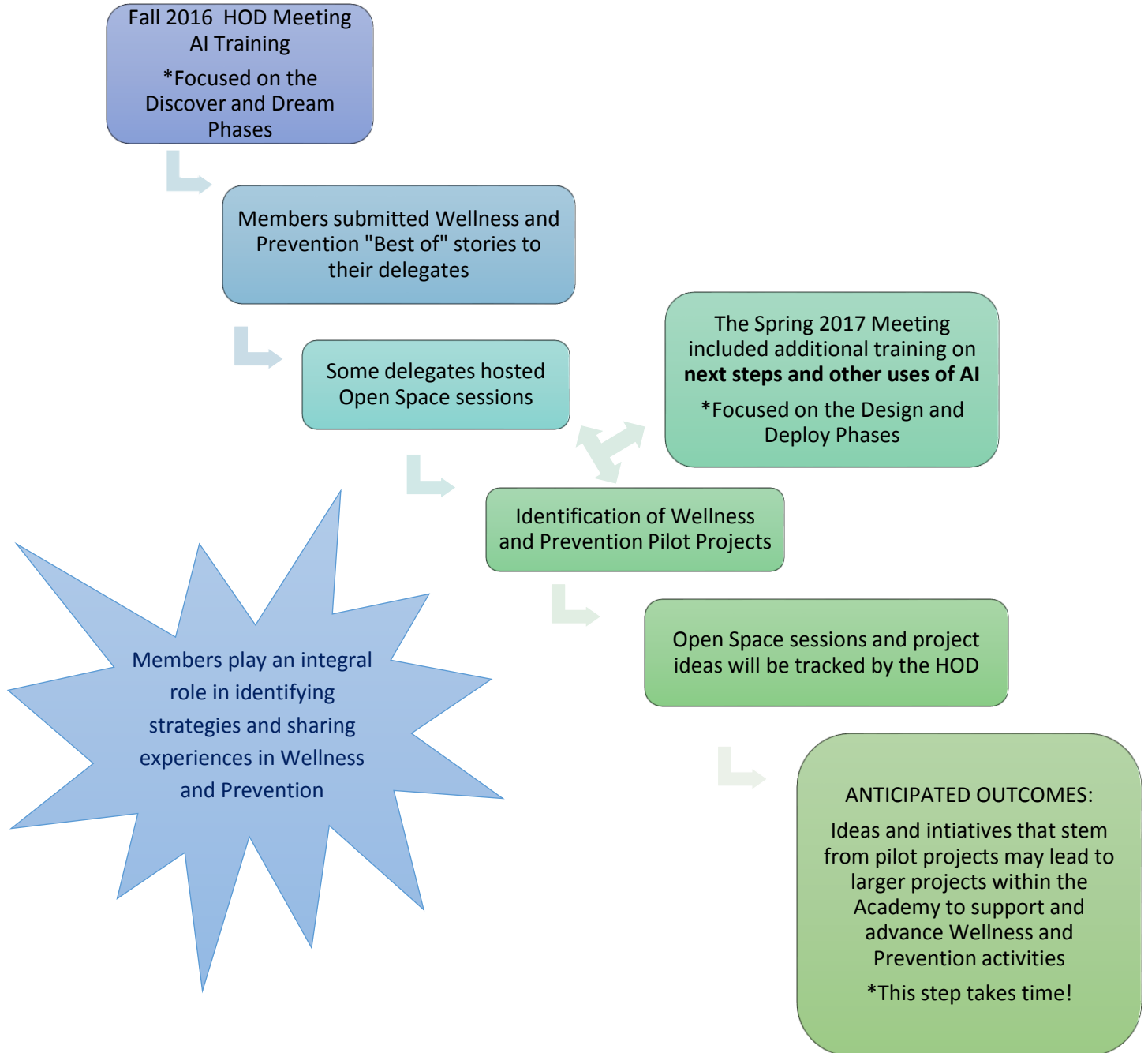
Objectives:

1. Describe the stages of the Appreciative Inquiry (AI) process.
2. Formulate a plan for an Open Space session or follow-up session with constituents.
3. Identify additional uses for the Appreciative Inquiry (AI) process.

Delegates continued discussions and identified future training needs to effectively use Appreciative Inquiry (AI) as one tool to solicit member input on issues affecting the profession.

Appreciative Inquiry encourages collaboration among practitioners as well as Academy organizational units (e.g., Affiliates, DPGs, MIGs and more).

Wellness and Prevention Activities Using Appreciative Inquiry (AI)



Academy Updates

The HOD received Academy Updates. The updates can be reviewed at

www.eatrightpro.org/resources/leadership/house-of-delegates/about-hod-meetings >Spring 2017 Meeting Materials.

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