

Daniel Pisani, Registered Dietitian

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Clinical health professional with a proven track-record in clinical nutrition and long-term care settings. Communicates nutritional principles to patients and clients varying in ages and cultural backgrounds. Articulate communicator with outstanding relationship-building abilities, able to cultivate positive connections with clients, peers, medical professionals, and senior leadership. Versatile and flexible, willing to go above and beyond to achieve shared goals and to bring positive change.

Areas of Expertise

- PointClickCare
 - Public speaking and written communication
 - ESHA Food Processor / BedBoard/OSCAR EMR
 - Interdisciplinary Patient Care
 - Foundations of research and data analysis
 - Education of both health- and non-health professionals
 - Advanced Microsoft Word and Excel
 - Systems-based thinking
 - Spoken languages: English, French, Italian, Spanish
 - Familiarity with Synergy on Demand (Sysco on Demand)
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Education

Honours Baccalaureate in Nutritional Science | University of Ottawa, Ottawa, ON, 2015
Registered Dietitian – No. 14298 • Fully Certified – In good standing with the College of Dietitians of Ontario

Professional Experience, Highlights

Extendicare York, Sudbury, Ontario ♦ October 2018 to Present

Permanent Full-Time Registered Dietitian

Overseeing the nutritional outcomes of nearly 300 residents in the heart of Sudbury.

Currently responsible for all chewing and swallowing food and fluid-related assessments in the home.

Completing tasks similar to previous dietitian position, as well as managerial responsibilities and committees, including daily risk huddles, ethics meetings, special care conferences, and membership to task forces and committees.

Key Accomplishments:

- Assumed greater breadth of responsibilities during the COVID-19 pandemic, such as joining a dining service task force to help maintain social distancing between residents during mealtimes – even spear-heading a campaign to gather dining room equipment from the community – as well as a nationally recognized ‘cheer crew’ to organize weekly activities for staff members. Also adjusted nutritional interventions and weekly processes to account for major changes in resident’s habits following lockdowns.
 - Developed and refined personalized tools and technologies to maximize productivity and daily output.
 - Refined technical and office skillsets, unintentionally becoming the sought-after authority for Microsoft Excel and other technologies in the home.
 - Spear-headed education efforts to inform registered staff members of new features in PointClickCare.
 - Invited to speak in national COVID call to share Extendicare York’s food and hydration processes while managing COVID-19 pandemic.
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Seasons Care Dietitian Network, Sudbury, Ontario ♦ August 2017 to October 2018

Contract Consulting Registered Dietitian

Oversaw nutritional outcomes for over 300 residents across four homes – the Val Caron’s Elizabeth Care Center (Jarlette), Little Current’s Manitoulin Centennial Manor (Extendicare), Gore Bay’s Manitoulin Lodge (Jarlette), and the Wikwemikong Nursing Home (Independent).

Completed resident’s admission, annual, and high-risk quarterly nutritional assessments via RAI-MDS.

Also completed appetite-related, fluid, weight, skin, and mealtime-related referrals through PointClickCare.

Liaised with the Speech-Language Pathologist to determine the optimal food texture and fluid consistency for residents, occasionally assessing on an independent basis.

Liaised with nursing staff to determine an ideal plan of care. Travelled to all four sites (above described) on a weekly basis.

Key Accomplishments:

- Mastered the fundamentals of the PointClickCare cloud-based technology and long-term care without supervision.
- Broadened understanding of PointClickCare reports and shortcuts to increase productivity and manage workload.
- Successfully underwent several Ministry of Health audits and visits – at quadruple the rate of a single-home long-term care dietitian – without direct orders or breaches in compliance.
- Adapted to home-specific policies, including care plans, progress notes, and diet-specific interventions such as supplements and snacks.
- Concurrently managed the interests and direct requests of all four long-term care homes, adjusting to their preferences and weekly processes.

Centre De Santé Communautaire, Welland, Ontario ♦ October 2016 to August 2017

Community Development Officer

Promoted positive community relations by developing and overseeing community engagement programs, including weekly lunches, celebratory galas, and sports tournaments. Ran weekly senior lunches and designed marketing materials. Collaborated with interdisciplinary staff to deliver exceptional care to facility guests and to a diverse clientele.

Key Accomplishments:

- Organizing and hosting weekly community lunch program for elderly population.
- Organized and coordinated events, including:
 - i. Large-scale milestone gala for over 200 guests, including high-profile federal and provincial MPs, mayors, regional councilors, and past and present Board of Director members.
 - ii. Community health center golf tournament, helping raise roughly \$15K in donations.
 - iii. Trivia night; \$2K+ in new donations by creating and hosting special event for 110+ guests.
- Ensured seamless operations during period of understaffing by supervising COPD exercise clinic.

Cornwall Community Hospital, Cornwall, Ontario ♦ April to July 2015

Clinical Intern

Completed clinical rotations in diverse inpatient and outpatient settings, including diabetic and renal dialysis clinics. Coached patients in pre- and post-surgical environments. Delivered exceptional care to patients with various medical disorders, including congestive heart failure (CHF), chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, and diabetes. Assessed patient needs and developed tailored presentations to support positive outcomes.

Key Accomplishments:

- Entrusted with patient consultation without supervision as a result of presenting nutritional knowledge in professional way.
- Independently created and presented case study of elderly stroke patient spanning two months.
- Designed interactive presentations to educate new diabetes patients on best disease management practices.
- Demonstrated willingness to expand inter-disciplinary horizons by researching medical terminology, procedures, and policies.

Will provide references upon request