

DANYA ARNOLD MBA, MS, RDN, LD

SUMMARY

Registered Dietitian with 18 years of experience in pediatric nutrition, community health, foodservice management, and leadership. Proven expertise in developing and implementing tailored nutrition programs, managing teams, and promoting wellness within diverse populations. Adept at driving results in both clinical and foodservice environments through innovative strategies and strong leadership.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Registered Dietitian II | Arkansas Children's Hospital

November 2024 - Present

- Review diagnosis and design and implement nutritional care plans for patients
- Perform nutritional assessments and work with medical team to provide optimal care for patients
- Identify nutrition related issues and obtain assistance/referrals for complex problems. Writes/orders therapeutic diet as needed
- Communicate/counsel patients, family and medical staff
- Educate and provide guidance to patient, family care-givers and staff on diet, feeding regimen or other nutritional information prior to discharge or during patient consultation
- Contributes to medical rounds for assigned team

Registered Dietitian | FoodSmart

July 2024 - December 2024

- Provide telehealth nutrition counseling to Medicare/Medicaid populations in underserved states, delivering personalized care to improve health outcomes.
- Utilize evidence-based strategies to support chronic disease management, ensuring access to nutrition services for vulnerable communities.

Executive Vice President | K- 12 Culinary Connection

May 2016 - November 2024

- Oversee company operations and execute marketing strategies for over 20 partner districts, driving growth and innovation in nutrition and culinary education.
- Lead recruitment, employee support, and policy development, expanding the team from 3 to 15 employees and contributing to the company's growth from 3 to over 20 districts.
- Build and maintain strong relationships with superintendents and industry partners, ensuring alignment with district needs and fostering long-term collaboration.

Registered Dietitian, Director of Risk Management, Director of Performance Improvement | Ascent CHS

September 2006 - May 2016

- Registered Dietitian for 10 early childhood intervention clinics across Arkansas
 - Completed nutrition assessments, family counseling, feeding therapy, special diets
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EDUCATION

Master of Business Administration

Harding University

2008 - 2009

Master of Science - FACS; Dietetic Internship

University of Central Arkansas

2005 - 2006

Bachelor of Science - Dietetics

University of Central Arkansas

2002 - 2005

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **2024-2025 President | Arkansas Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics**
- **Team Lead | Arkansas Dietetic Compact Licensure Working Group**
- **University of Central Arkansas FACS Distinguished Alumna of the Year Award, 2023**