# What does the early career of Ontario & Saskatchewan new dietetic grads look like?

## **NFW GRAD 2019 PILOT SURVEY**

Dietitians of Canada commissioned researchers at the University of Waterloo and the University of Saskatchewan to work with an advisory team to develop, administer, and analyze a workforce survey of 2014-2019 Ontario and Saskatchewan dietetic program grads.



## **OBTAINING A POSITION AS A DIETITIAN**

78%

Obtained 1st dietitian position within 12 months of program completion

# Of those who obtained a position

- ✓ 25% before program completion
- √ 38% within first 3 months
- ✓ 25% within 3-6 months

# Most successful job search strategies

- ✓ Job search websites
- ✓ Employment opportunities at practicum site
- ✓ Past training or employment contacts

#### FIRST PRIMARY DIETITIAN POSITION

## **Top Employers**

- ✓ Hospital
- ✓ Publicly funded health facility
- ✓ First Nations, Inuit, Métis governance or health facility

## **Top Roles**

- ✓ Health care team
- ✓ Acute care hospital/inpatient
- ✓ Community health
- ✓ Long-term care
- Business/Industry

Average time in 1st position

15 Months

Held a secondary **33%** dietitian position with a different employer

#### **EARNINGS**

Held Full-time 56% dietitian positions

Their earnings

\$55-\$65,000 22% \$65-\$75,000 38% \$75-\$85,000 17%

# **HOURS WORKING**

47% 36+ hours

26-35 hours

83%

Satisfied or Very Satisfied with academic coursework & practicum







**Training Satisfaction**