

[Linda Stephanie Heller, MS, RD, CSP, CLC, FAND] | Curriculum Vitae

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Affiliations

Registered Dietitian (RD), Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND)

Board Certified Specialist in Pediatrics (CSP), (AND)

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Vendored by Regional Centers for the Developmentally Disabled

Certified Lactation Educator (CLE), University of California Los Angeles

Certified Lactation Counselor (CLC), Academy of Lactation Policy and Practice



Education

[**Master of Science**] – [California State Polytechnic University, Pomona] [March 1992]

[Nutrition and Foods Management]

[USC ECEDD (formerly USCUAP) - Children's Hospital, Los Angeles] [July 1990]

[Completed 1000 hours of LEND nutrition training. Completed dietetic internship]

[**Bachelor of Science**]– [California State Polytechnic University, Pomona] [August 1977]

[Foods and Nutrition]

Societies

California Dietetic Association

American Dietetic Association

Pediatric Nutrition Practice Group, Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) formerly American Dietetic Association

Clinical Nutrition manager Practice Group, (AND)

Publications

[Position Paper, "Ethical Dilemmas in Nutrition and Hydration Across the Life-Cycle, American Dietetic Association] [2001]

[Heller, LS: Nutritional Support for Children with HIV/AIDS, The AIDS Reader, vol 10, No 2] [February 2000]

[Heller, LS: Developing an instrument to assess nutritional risk factors in children with HIV / AIDS. J American Dietetic Association, vol 100, No 3] [March 2000]

[Fox-Wheeler, S, Heller, LS, et al.: Evaluation of the Effect of Oxandrolone on Malnourished HIV - Positive Pediatric Patients, Pediatrics, vol 104, No 6] [December 1999]

[Heller, LS: Nutrition support for children with HIV / AIDS. J American Dietetic Association.473-474] [1997]

[Heller, LS, Bujold, C., Baer, MT, Harris, AB: Nutrition management of Spina Bifida. Nutrition Focus for Children with Special Health Care Needs, vol 11, no 3. [1996]

Awards and Honors

[Fellow of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (FAND)]	[2014]
[Carol Hayes Torio Excellence in Management Award, California Dietetic Association]	[2009]
[Clinical Assistance Professor of Pediatrics, University of Southern California School of Medicine. Nominated for Excellence in Clinical Care, California Dietetic Association]	[1998]
[Gamma Sigma Delta, Honor Society of Agriculture, California State Polytechnic University at Pomona]	[1990]

Related Experiences

[Clinical Nutrition Manager and Coordinator of Breastfeeding and Lactation Services] – <i>[Clinical Nutrition Services, Children's Hospital - Los Angeles]</i> [Responsibility for the operational, clinical and educational functions of the department of Clinical Nutrition Services. This includes standards for nutritional assessment, medical nutrition therapies, and education of inpatients, outpatients and families. This also includes the responsibility to develop, implement and monitor the standards of nutritional care and directly supervise all clinical nutrition staff (42 staff). It also includes the responsibility to meet budgetary limitations, conduct performance improvement plans, establish enteral formula, oversee all formula purchase, preparation and distribution as well as oversee and coordinate lactation services for in-patient care and employees. In addition, this position represents or appoints the representation of the clinical nutrition discipline on all multi- and interdisciplinary committees]	[May 2000 - Present]
[Consultant] – <i>[Helen Evans Home - Whittier]</i> [Responsibilities: Nutritional assessment and follow up care for 42 profoundly retarded children and adolescents in residential placement.]	[Jan 2008 - Dec 2015]
[Editor, Infant, Children, Adolescent Nutrition] – <i>[Sage Publications]</i>	[Jan 2008 - Dec 2015]
[Consultant] – <i>[California Medical Services, Department of Health Services California]</i>	[2004 - 2012]
[Instructor (part-time)] – <i>[Los Angeles City College]</i>	[2005 - 2006]
[Clinical Dietitian] – <i>[Division of Pulmonology, Children's Hospital, Los Angeles]</i> [Responsibilities: Outpatient care nutritional care for 500+ children, adolescents, and young adults with chronic lung diseases.]	[1999 - 2000]
[Consultant] – <i>[Regional Centers for the Developmentally Disabled]</i> [Responsibilities: Nutritional assessment and follow-up for pediatric and adolescent consumers of various Regional Centers upon referral.]	[1996 - 2008]
[Clinical Dietitian, Division of Clinical Immunology and Allergy and the Children's AIDS Center (birth through adolescence)] – <i>[Children's Hospital - Los Angeles]</i> [Responsibilities: Inpatient/outpatient nutritional care for 200+ children, adolescents, and young adults with HIV/AIDS. Direct care responsibilities for the Adolescent Risk Reduction Program at Children's Hospital Los Angeles. Additional responsibilities include the development of the Children's AIDS Center nutrition program; protocol, educational materials, research protocol and data collection, public speaking, training of dietetic interns, and any other related duties.]	[1993 - 2000]

Research Activities

Areas of Interest: Nutritional screening, assessment and protocol development for children and adolescents with disabilities and chronic illness. The nutritional and social-emotional factors that affect intake and utilization in children and adolescents.

[Protocol Nutritionist for National Institute of Child Health and Human Development/National	[2001 - 2006]
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Institutes of Health, “Bone Mineral Density in Childhood Study”.]

[Protocol Nutritionist for the Pediatric AIDS Clinical Trials Group (PACTG). PACTG 1010: Effect of Antiretroviral Therapy on Body Composition in HIV-infected children. PACTG 1011: A Randomized open-label study of Recombinant Human Growth Hormone in children with HIV-Associated Growth Failure.] [1999 - 2002]

[Conducted a study on the efficacy and safety of oral anabolic therapy on lean body mass stores in children with HIV/AIDS.] [1996 - 1998]

Committees

Commissioner for the Commission on Dietetic Registration, Specialist, AND [2016 - 2019]

House of Delegates Representative, Pediatric Practice Group, AND (formerly ADA) [2011 - 2015]

Treasurer, Pediatric Nutrition Practice Group, ADA [2008 - 2010]

Chair, Nominating Committee, Pediatric Nutrition Practice Group, ADA [2006 - 2008]

Preceptor, Dietetic Internship, Veterans Administration, UCLA

Preceptor, Dietetic Internship, Glendale Memorial Hospital

Preceptor, Dietetic Internship, University Center of Excellence for Developmentally

Disabled, Children’s Hospital Los Angeles

Lead Writer, educational grant from the American Dietetic Association, Nutritional Management of Pediatric HIV Disease. [1999 - 2000]

National Nutrition Care in HIV Guidelines. [1999 - 2000]

American Dietetic Association HIV/AIDS Dietetic Practice Group, Treasurer. [1997 - 1999]

American Dietetic Association Pediatric Nutrition Practice Group, [1997 - 1998]

Medical Nutrition Therapy protocol for pediatric HIV/AIDS.

Standards of Care Committee, LA County Commission of HIV Health Services, Medical Nutrition Therapy Protocol of Care for HIV-infected Persons and Recommendations for Food and Nutrition Services Affecting HIV-infected Persons. [1997 - 2000]

Advisory board for Camp Laurel, camp for children infected with HIV. [1997 - 2008]

Reviewer

Infant Feedings: Guidelines for Preparation of Human Milk and Formula in Health Care Facilities, second edition, Pediatric Nutrition Practice Group, AND

Support Line

American Academy of Pediatrics Nutrition Handbook, 4th edition

Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition

Journal of Applied Nutrition

American Dietetic Association, Position Paper for Nutrition Care in HIV/AIDS