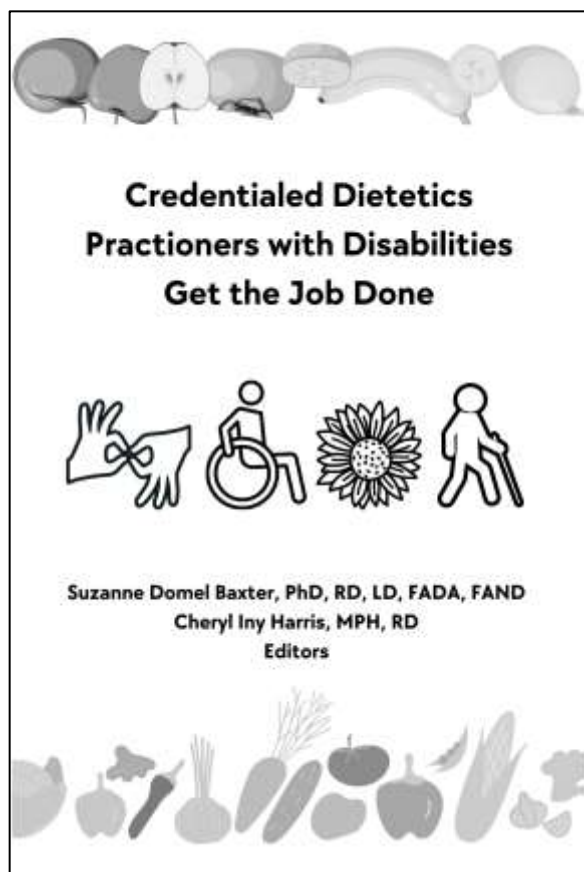


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## **Credentialed Dietetics Practitioners with Disabilities Get the Job Done**

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Dietetics practitioners are food experts who help people eat better. They work in many settings including hospitals, research, sports nutrition, community health, food service, the military, nursing homes, education, outpatient offices, and the food industry to help people eat better. Most dietetics practitioners are female, white, and able-bodied.

Only 2% of dietetics practitioners have disabilities compared to 29% of US adults. There is a crucial need for more dietetics practitioners with disabilities.

This book features autobiographies of 15 disabled dietetics practitioners who describe their journeys navigating college, internships, credentialing exams, employment, and accommodations along with their disability culture concerning food (e.g., shopping, preparing, eating). Their disabilities include vision, cerebral palsy, spinal cord injury, mobility, hearing, and chronic illnesses. Seven educational chapters cover topics such as disability resources, disability statistics, and how to become a dietetics practitioner.

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