

Introducing the new ADSA Executive Committee (2023–2025)

ADSA is excited to introduce the new Executive Committee, which will be serving for the term July 2023 – June 2025. This will be a particularly exciting time for ADSA, as we embark on a trial restructuring of the previous executive committee structure. In order to ensure that the ADSA Executive Committee remains efficient and meets the needs of our members in a rapidly changing work environment, a trial restructuring of the Executive Committee was proposed and accepted at the Special General Meeting of ADSA hosted on 19 April 2023. In this term there will be a shift from a large committee to a smaller Executive Committee comprised of the Management Committee (4 portfolios) and 5 supporting portfolios. The aim is to streamline the committee and distribute the workload between committee members and to allow for more efficient

activities. The Management Committee will have a more management focus and will work closely with the association's secretariat management company. Following this trial period in the current term, proposals will be put forward to members to amend ADSA's constitution to formalise these changes.

The new Executive Committee is excited to focus on strategic planning for ADSA, moving forward to enhance the benefits to our members and develop and strengthen the dietetic profession.

We extend a heartfelt thank you to the outgoing members of the 2021–2023 Executive Committee. The hard work of these individuals, along with the ADSA branch committees – volunteering their time and expertise in service of the profession – is acknowledged and appreciated.



ADSA CORE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2023–2025

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

President	Maria van der Merwe
Chief Operating Officer	Jessica Byrne
Treasurer	Estelle Venter
Member Relations	Janke Draper

SUPPORT

Private Practicing Dietitians	Carla Gerryts
Public Sector Dietitians	Nireshnee Reddy
Continuous Professional Development	Philna Neethling
Public Relations	Elske Rich
Advocacy and Knowledge Translation	Janetta Harbron



New website launch

ADSA is proud to share that our new website and membership portal are now available for our valued visitors and members. Our members portal offers personalised experiences, valuable resources, and enhanced benefits exclusively for our members.

Did you know that one of the benefits of being an ADSA member is to have your details listed on the 'Find a Dietitian' search function on ADSA's website? This allows the public to search for a dietitian by name, city/town or even special area of interest.

In order to have your details displayed, members need to visit our new membership portal, create a password and update your profile. Please note that even if you have done this in the past, due to the change to a new website, your details will not be available on the 'Find a Dietitian' search function

until you have created a new password and updated your profile again. Click here to get started:

<https://adsa.org.za/reset-password/>

For assistance, email:

support@associationmco.com

Keep a look out for ADSA communications, via mailers and social media, as we will be conducting various short polls and more detailed surveys to identify the needs of our members, current membership benefits they value and what additional benefits we can offer.

ImpENSA Training Programme

ADSA, a proud partner in the development and implementation of the ImpENSA Training Programme, is pleased to announce that the ImpENSA Project has concluded, and it received a rating of 'very good' by the European Education and Culture Executive Agency, the top rating score available.

The ImpENSA Training Programme is a blended learning programme aiming to improve nutrition during the first 1000 days by providing healthcare practitioners with the necessary knowledge and skills. The programme consists of two e-learning

modules (freely available; accredited for 4 CPD points each) and a third facilitated, skills-based module (administrative cost applies; accredited for 8 CPD points). For more information, and to register for the modules, please visit:

<https://aanh.med.lmu.de/>

or email:

info@impensa.co.za.

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