

THE PROGRAM IS OPEN TO ALL SETTINGS WHERE QUALITY CELIAC DISEASE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT ARE PRACTICED, INCLUDING AMBULATORY/ OUTPATIENT CENTERS, OFFICE-BASED UNITS, AND HOSPITAL-BASED UNITS.

The following criteria must be met by unit team members:

1. One or more board-certified gastroenterologists/internists (related specialty or subspecialty) and one or more dedicated dietitians from that institution who are members of SSCD. The dietitian must be a registered dietitian and a member of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
2. Unit must see 10 or more celiac disease patients per month
3. Attendance/involvement by the unit director in at least one SSCD-associated meeting per year (DDW®, Canadian Association of Gastroenterology, ICDS, or other celiac disease-dedicated meeting, etc.)
4. Evidence of a Quality Improvement initiative related to celiac disease or an IRB-approved research activity within the last five years. (See SSCD website for examples of Quality Improvement initiatives)
5. Education Development Initiatives (lectures and/or publications developed by the Unit Leader for healthcare professionals, other students, or support groups) related to celiac disease
6. Attestation to adherence to quality diagnosis guidelines, i.e., (NA)SSCD *Celiac Disease Diagnosis in Adults*, October 2017

To apply for the **SSCD CELIAC DISEASE UNIT RECOGNITION PROGRAM**, please visit [www.theceliacsociety.org](http://www.theceliacsociety.org). Complete the application and submit by e-mail or mail. For further information, please contact [info@theceliacsociety.org](mailto:info@theceliacsociety.org).

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## CELIAC DISEASE UNIT RECOGNITION PROGRAM



## THE IMPORTANCE OF HIGH-QUALITY CELIAC-AFFECTED PATIENT CARE

As a unit dedicated to identifying and treating patients suffering from celiac disease, it is critical to demonstrate effectiveness in the delivery of high-quality, safe patient care.

AS THE ONLY PROGRAM OF ITS KIND, THE **SSCD CELIAC DISEASE UNIT RECOGNITION PROGRAM (CDURP)** RECOGNIZES UNITS THAT HAVE DEMONSTRATED A COMMITMENT TO DELIVERING QUALITY CELIAC DISEASE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT AS REFLECTED IN THEIR UNIT POLICIES, CREDENTIALING, STAFF TRAINING AND COMPETENCY ASSESSMENT, AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITIES.

CDURP participants benefit by being among a like-minded community of units from across the country. Patients are secure in the knowledge that their care and treatment is delivered by a unit that meets stringent education and quality standards.

## PARTICIPATING UNITS

- ✓ Gain recognition for identifying ways to define and measure quality in celiac disease diagnosis and patient satisfaction
- ✓ Meet the changing expectations of public and private regulatory bodies
- ✓ Promote improvement and create uniformity in your practice
- ✓ Ensure your patients and referring colleagues that your unit meets the highest level of quality care

## RECOGNIZED UNITS RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS

- ✓ Recognition Certificate for the duration of your enrollment in the program
- ✓ Prepared Press Release to promote your unit within your community
- ✓ Unit name posted on the SSCD site as a participant in the program which provides public and professional recognition
- ✓ Use the Quality Logo on your website
- ✓ Incorporate the Quality Logo onto your stationery and print ads
- ✓ Include the CDURP information on your press releases for use in your local market media
- ✓ Display the logo on your promotional material

