**Transitional Period Arrangement for ‘Registered Nutritionist’ Applications**

**(Feb 2018)**

 Since the HKNS is a newly established society, the following transactional measures will be adopted on or before 1 March 2019:

Registered Nutritionist Applications

* For applicants who have met the education and practical experience requirements, they can apply for ‘Registered Nutritionist’ qualification directly and prove their competences solely by means of detailed portfolio. Nevertheless, for some rare cases, the applicant may be required to pass an interview by an assessment board formed by HKNS Council Members;
* For applicants who have been employed in a nutrition work setting but yet to fulfill the practical experience requirements, they must join the HKNS as ‘Registered Associate Nutritionist’ first, and then apply for ‘Registered Nutritionist’ qualification similar to other ‘Registered Associate Nutritionist’. Employment history before joining the HKNS can be proved by means of detailed portfolio (However, self-employment / free-lance work will not be considered as employment to this effect);
* Proof of practical experience by portfolio will only be accepted before 1 March 2019. After 1 March 2019, all applicants who wish to prove his/her practical experience by means of portfolio, must provide strong justification for late application. If the HKNS considers necessary, these applicants may be required to join as a ‘Registered Associated Nutritionist’ first and go through the required continual development process.
* Applicants are not required to pay registration fee during the application stage. Registration fee will be required after the applicant has successfully passed our assessment and awarded with the Registered Nutritionist title. Applicants will be informed of the payment arrangement in due course.