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Dear Ms. Barkley:

To accommodate the accreditation of nearly 600 dietetics education programs, the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education (CADE) board reviewed the possibility of extending the site visit dates for some programs to more evenly distribute site visits throughout CADE's ten year accreditation cycle. During its February 23-25, 2011 meeting, the CADE board voted to offer the **Dietetic Internship** at the **University of Kansas Medical Center** the opportunity to submit a Program Assessment Report (PAR) in Fall 2011 in lieu of a self study report and site visit and extend the site visit date from 2011 until 2015.

If the program chooses to accept this option, you will need to submit a PAR postmarked no later than November 1, 2011. All programs submitting a PAR are required to use a Program Assessment Report template. This template is available as a MS Word document on the ADA/CADE Web page at [www.eatright.org/CADE](http://www.eatright.org/CADE). To assist you in preparing the PAR document, CADE has the following resources available on the ADA/CADE Web page:

- 2008 Eligibility Requirements and Accreditation Standards
- Frequently Asked Questions: 2008 ERAS and Assessing Learning Outcomes

Please contact CADE staff via email at [CADE@eatright.org](mailto:CADE@eatright.org) by **April 1, 2011** to inform us whether you plan to submit a PAR instead of a self study report and site visit in fall 2011.

Thank you for your interest in and support of dietetics education and students. If there are any questions, please call the CADE staff at 800-877-1600 ext. 5400.

Sincerely,

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