

## Letter from NWRD President

### 2019 NWRD FINDS OUR WAY BACK TO PORTLAND!

Northwest Renal Dietitians (NWRD) is holding the 2019 Annual Conference in Portland, Oregon. Join us for networking, learning, and collaborating with each other to make nutrition care for our CKD patients the very best in the country. Recharge your professional battery, while learning from inspirational speakers and other dedicated professionals like yourself.

### SAVE THE DATE:

**DATE:** MARCH 7+8, 2019  
**LOCATION:** EMBASSY SUITES BY HILTON, PORTLAND AIRPORT  
**TOPICS:** Topics we're working on for this year's conference include:

- Root causes of cardiac dysfunction in ESRD
- What motivates change? Translating theory into practice
- The latest in the world of diabetes management

**ABSTRACTS:** Call for Poster Presentations! — *Open NOW!* — JUN 1–DEC 31: [nwrdonline.org/abstracts](http://nwrdonline.org/abstracts)  
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### WHAT'S NEW:

#### This year's Board of Directors:

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**Program Co-Chairs, Esther Teerman and Sharaine Fisher, would love to have a few local RDs help with organizing the event. If interested, please email us [nwrdonline@gmail.com](mailto:nwrdonline@gmail.com) - Thank you!**

### WE'VE LISTENED!

You've asked for more Posters and Exhibits. We've added more space for these, and we've extended the sign-up period. So, please sign up to share your programs, research, insights, and talents!

### FOLLOW US!

Check out the NWRD website for more information at [nwrdonline.org](http://nwrdonline.org)  
Hope to see you in March 2019 in Portland, OR at the Annual Conference!

**Katy Wilkens, MS, RD**  
**President, NWRD**  
**7/31/18**

