CRU Bionutritionist and Other Dietary Services
Services, Estimates and Scheduling
(rev May 2021)

A. Consultation with the CRU Bionutritionist is required. The request for Bionutritionist services must be included in the CRU Consult form.

B. Scope of Services for Investigator-Initiated Studies (federally-funded and other non-industry-funded studies)
   1. Bionutritionist services provided at no cost
   2. Services include:
      a. Dietary assessment (food records, food frequency questionnaire, etc.)
      b. Nutrition education
      c. Research diet development
      d. Study specific meals

C. Scope of Services for Industry Studies
   1. Bionutritionist services provided at fee-for service rates
      a. Consultation with bionutritionist required before estimates can be provided
      b. Note that bionutritionist billable time includes any study team meetings, the actual time seeing the participant as well as preparation and follow-up (paperwork, reviewing medical records or files, etc.), and directing research interns who might help with some services
      c. Cost estimate for bionutritionist charges will be provided to the study after consultation meeting
      d. Dietary study charges also include a per-tray charge for research or study specific meal set-up, which will be in the estimate.
      e. Any changes after the estimate, such as add-on visits, etc., will result in additional charges to the study budget.
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Other Important Details

- SCHEDULING: Advanced discussions with the CRU bionutritionist are required. Services depend on the availability of the bionutritionist or pre-set ups for times bionutritionist is away. CRU does not have a backup bionutritionist.
- TRACKING OF SERVICE: CRU bionutritionist tracks usage in 15-minute increments, reports usage to CRU protocol manager (for billing).
- BILLING: CRU protocol manager charges the protocol’s study account (no less than quarterly).
- IRB APPLICATIONS: If study-required CRU bionutritionist services involve interaction with subjects, the CRU bionutritionist may need to be listed in the application. (Please confirm with IRB staff.)