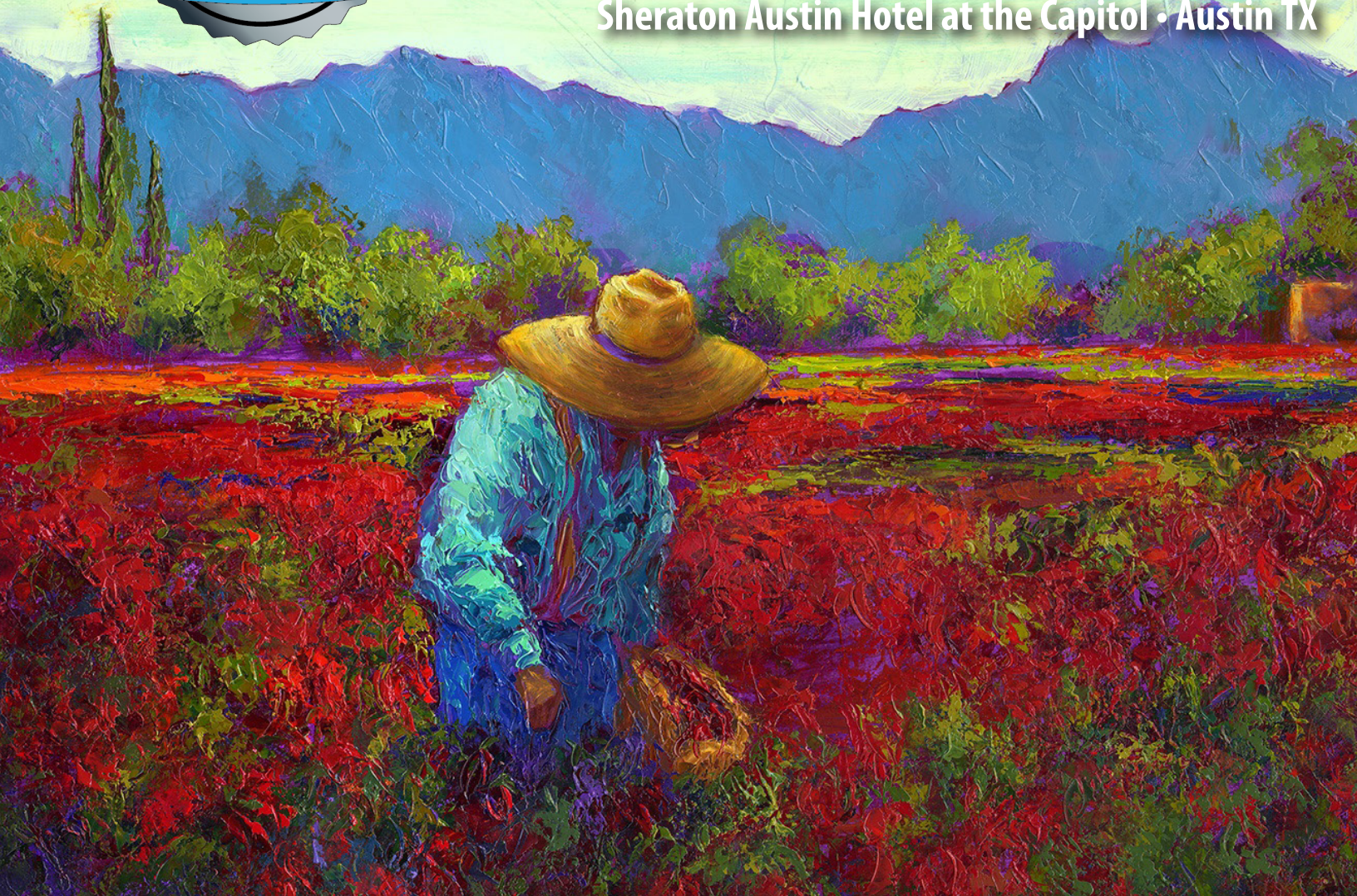




# 2022 Midwest Stream Forum for Agricultural Worker Health

March 28 - 30, 2022

Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol • Austin TX



**60 YEARS IN MIGRANT HEALTH:  
HONORING THE PAST, LOOKING TO THE FUTURE, STRONGER TOGETHER**

**“Chili Harvest”**

Commemorative Artwork

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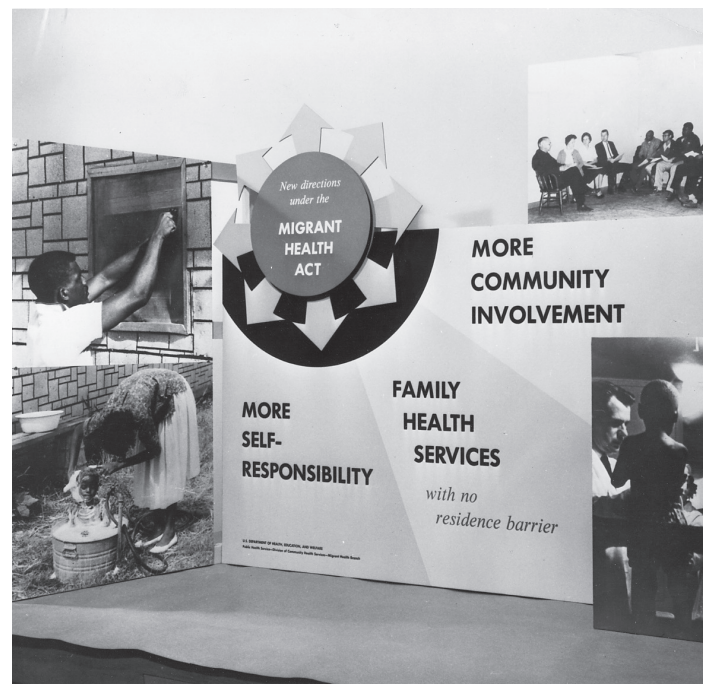
# Welcome to the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Stream Forum for Agricultural Worker Health!



At this year's conference, not only are we very excited to see you in person again since the start of the pandemic, but we are also celebrating the anniversary of the passage of the Migrant Health Act of 1962, the landmark legislation that would sow the seeds for what would later become the Community Health Center Program.

The bill emphasized the need for a simple and flexible program, adapted to the needs of migratory workers, and focused on the provision of health services. It

was written so that the Public Health Service would be given authority to make grants available to health projects serving the domestic migratory population. Shortly after the bill's passage, the Migrant Health Unit became the Migrant Health Branch, and was charged with administering the new program. The program was designed to allocate funds, facilitate inter-agency cooperation, disseminate information, and monitor the health status of agricultural workers. The Migrant Health Program was reauthorized in 1963 and again in 1966, adding hospitalization to the scope of services provided by migrant clinics. By 1969, 118 projects were in operation, serving 317 counties in 36 states and Puerto Rico. This legislation paved the way for the 175 Migrant Health Program awardees currently serving the agricultural worker population.



Our theme, **“60 Years in Migrant Health: Honoring the Past, Looking to the Future, Stronger Together,”** is a focus on honoring all the migratory and seasonal agricultural workers and their families involved in the Migrant Health movement, working together as a community, overcoming challenges and barriers, and remaining strong and resilient. It also celebrates another great example of unity in medical providers, health center staff, and community-based organizations coming together to continue meeting the needs of migratory and seasonal agricultural workers and persevering through the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The National Center for Farmworker Health thanks all involved in this “Migrant Health Journey” and will continue to honor the passion and commitment of our past leaders in our focused determination to move our mission forward in ensuring ALL agricultural workers and their families have access to quality healthcare.



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Registration Desk –

The registration desk will be open on the following days and times:

Sunday, March 27th	1:30 PM – 5:00 PM
Monday, March 28th	7:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Tuesday, March 29th	7:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Wednesday, March 30th	7:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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# Schedule-at-a-Glance



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MONDAY, MARCH 28				
7:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Exhibit Set-Up - Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
7:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration Open - Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
8:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Pre-conference App Support – Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch on Your Own			
1:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Exhibits Open - Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
AFTERNOON INTENSIVES				
	Capitol Ballroom F-H	Capitol View Terrace North	Capitol View Terrace South	
1:30 PM – 5:00 PM	<u>Organizational Strategies to Foster a Healthy Environment Through Resiliency and Self-Care</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building Workforce Resiliency in Times of Change</li> <li>• Creating a Culture of Self-Care at Your Organization</li> </ul>	<u>Enhancing the Delivery of Care for the Indigenous Population**</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Language Access in Healthcare for and with Indigenous Language Speakers;</li> <li>• Emergency Preparedness for Indigenous Communities</li> <li>• COVID-19 Consequences Among Hispanic and Indigenous Agricultural Workers in California, USA and Michoacan, Mexico.</li> </ul>	<u>Optimal Care and Management of Diabetes and Heart Disease for Successful Outcomes**</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diabetes Self-Management Education in Federally Qualified Health Centers: Increase Quality, Reduce Burden</li> <li>• Know Diabetes by Heart: CHWs Providing Diabetes Support in Health Disparate Communities</li> <li>• Successful Outcomes and Lessons Learned in Addressing Type 2 Diabetes Among Agricultural Workers during a Pandemic</li> </ul>	
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	Break with Exhibitors – Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	Welcome Reception – The SideYARD & Terrace			
TUESDAY, MARCH 29				
7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	Continental Breakfast			
7:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration Open – Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
7:30 AM – 4:30 PM	Exhibits Open – Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>OPENING PLENARY**</b> Capitol Ballroom D-E			
	<b>Welcome</b> – Celebrating Migrant Health 60th Year Anniversary <b>Update from the Bureau of Primary Health Care</b> – Video presentation from Jim Macrae, M.A., M.P.P., Bureau of Primary Health Care <b>CDC Presentation</b> – CDC Initiatives to Protect Agricultural Workers during the COVID-19 Pandemic from Dr. Alfonso Rodriguez Lainz, PhD, DVM, MPVM, Division of Global Migration and Quarantine <b>Keynote Presentation</b> – featuring Sam Byrd, Centro de Comunidad y Justicia			
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Break with Exhibitors – Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
Morning Breakout Sessions				
	Capitol View Terrace North	Capitol Ballroom D-E	Capitol Ballroom F-H	Capitol View Terrace South
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Health Literacy to Address Opioid Use in Agricultural Worker Communities**	Health Implications of the Aging Domestic Crop Worker Population	<u>Strategies to Mitigate COVID-19 Among MSAWs</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• COVID-19 Rapid Assessment Tools for MSAW Communities in Rural Oregon</li> <li>• Novel Cohort Process to Minimize COVID-19 Infection in Migratory and Seasonal Ag Workers</li> </ul>	Utilizing an Arts-Based Approach to Improve Mental Health and Stress in Agricultural Worker Communities**
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch on Your Own			



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1:30 PM – 1:45 PM	Break with Exhibitors – Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
1:45 PM – 5:00 PM	<b>Afternoon Breakout Sessions</b>			
	<b>Capitol View Terrace North</b>	<b>Capitol Ballroom D-E</b>	<b>Capitol Ballroom F-H</b>	<b>Capitol View Terrace South</b>
1:45 PM – 3:15 PM	Understanding the Mental Health Needs of Unaccompanied Immigrant Children from Latin America**	Recognition, Management, Prevention of Heat-Related Illness Among Agricultural Workers	100 Teams are Better than 1: Building Cross-Sector, State-Local Partnerships to Support Agricultural Worker Health during COVID and Beyond	Agricultural Worker Health 101**
3:15 PM – 3:30 PM	Break with Exhibitors – Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	Maternal, Infant, and Child Health**	<u>Improving Health Outcomes through Virtual Optimization</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hardware, Software, Aware: The Process of Using Technology to Advance Migrant Health and Healthcare Access</li> <li>• Telehealth: Why It's Still Important Even Without COVID</li> </ul>	CHWs Are Essential to Addressing MSAW Mental Health Needs**	<u>Best Practices and Collaborative Approaches for Increasing Agricultural Worker Health Engagement</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Juntos with Migratory and Seasonal Agricultural Workers</li> <li>• Convening and Engaging a FW Feedback Committee</li> </ul>
	Dinner On Your Own			
<b>WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30</b>				
7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	Continental Breakfast			
7:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Registration Open – Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
7:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Exhibits Open – Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>MORNING PLENARY**</b> Capitol Ballroom D-E			
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>Program Updates from the National Association of Community Health Centers</b> – from Rachel A. Gonzales-Hanson, NACHC <b>Immigration Policy Today and Tomorrow: What's Needed to Serve Patients</b> – from Roger Rosenthal, Migrant Legal Action Program			
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Break with Exhibitors – Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
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	<b>Capitol View Terrace North</b>	<b>Capitol Ballroom D-E</b>	<b>Capitol Ballroom F-H</b>	
10:15 AM – 11:30 AM	Ensuring Accurate ID, Classification & Reporting in UDS to Increase Access to Quality Healthcare for MSAs**	Voices from the Fields: Agricultural Workers and COVID-19	Screening for Social Determinants of Health: Resources and Implementation Considerations for Agricultural Worker Populations**	
11:30 AM – 11:45 AM	Break with Exhibitors – Capitol Ballroom Foyer			
11:45 AM – 12:30 PM	Conducting Outreach and Building Referral Networks	Identifying, Assessing, and Responding to Human Trafficking in a Healthcare Setting**	The Role of Community Health Workers in Medical and Dental Integration**	
12:30 PM – 2:30 PM	<b>CLOSING PLENARY LUNCHEON**</b> Capitol Ballroom D-E			
12:30 PM – 2:30 PM	<b>Reflection on 60 years of Migrant Health</b> – from retired NCFH CEO, Bobbi Ryder <b>Agricultural Worker Access Campaign Update &amp; Activity</b> – from Lisa Miller and Kadie Koeneman, National Center for Farmworker Health			



# DAILY SCHEDULE AND SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

## MONDAY, MARCH, 28

**Title:** **Organizational Strategies to Foster a Healthy Environment Through Resiliency and Self-Care**  
**Time:** 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM  
**Presenter(s):** Abstract 1: Katie O'Malley and Lisa Miller – National Center for Farmworker Health  
Abstract 2: Cindy Selmi and Liam Spurgeon – Health Outreach Partners  
**Room:** Capitol Ballroom F-H

### **Abstract 1: Building Workforce Resiliency in Times of Change**

Health Center staff face daily stresses due to unique workplace demands associated with serving vulnerable populations, including long work hours and high patient volumes, to name just a few. Health Center teams encountered additional unprecedented challenges resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and keeping pace with continuous changes. This presentation will focus on shifting staff back to stabilization and recovery after dealing with challenges resulting from COVID-19 by building workforce resiliency and addressing staff burnout. Presenters will discuss organizational strategies for maintaining/improving emotional wellness to avoid staff burnout and creating a healthy work environment.

### **Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Identify structural causes and signs of staff burnout.
2. Identify strategies to support employee mental health and well-being.
3. Identify resources to assist organizations in managing change.

### **Abstract 2: Creating a Culture of Self-Care at Your Organization**

Health center staff play many roles from advocate, educator, and coordinator to service provider – which can be challenging and overwhelming. The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated the demand placed on the roles of health center staff. In addition, the unique experiences of Black Indigenous People of Color (BIPOC) health center staff during this pandemic have highlighted the race-based stress BIPOC carry in addition to their workload. In order to continue delivering quality services that meet the needs of communities, it is critical that health centers invest in the satisfaction and wellbeing of their staff. In this 90-minute workshop, Health Outreach Partners will provide an overview of individual and organizational self-care frameworks and highlight resources available to support health centers to adopt practices that encourage staff wellbeing, satisfaction, and retention.

### **Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Describe the principles of self-care and how it can foster a work environment that supports staff satisfaction and retention.
2. Identify one individual or organizational self-care practice that organizations can implement to ensure a healthy work environment.
3. Learn how organizations can identify staff needs in order to prevent the incidence of compassion fatigue and burnout.

**Title:** **Enhancing the Delivery of Care for Indigenous Populations**  
**Time:** 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM  
**Presenter(s):** Abstract 1: Laura Gonzales – Language Access Florida  
Abstract 2: Mariana Blanco – The Guatemalan- Maya Center  
Abstract 3: Kimberly Y. Prado – University of Texas at Austin  
**Room:** Capitol View Terrace North

### **Abstract 1: Language Access in Healthcare for and with Indigenous Language Speakers**

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many colonial government entities across the world failed to successfully provide health-related information to Indigenous language speakers. Indeed, Indigenous language speakers consistently suffer from undue health disparities due to language access issues. Often, there is a disconnect between the health messaging provided by colonial entities and Indigenous worldviews related to health and safety. As a result, agencies, businesses, and organizations seeking to adequately reach Indigenous language speakers need further training on Indigenous values, particularly in relation to health.

This workshop will introduce participants to ongoing collaborations between health justice activists and translators in Gainesville, Florida, and Indigenous language speakers, translators, and activists in Oaxaca de Juárez, Mexico, and Quetzaltenango Guatemala. Through a collaboration grounded in Indigenous values and frameworks, we are translating, trans-creating, and localizing health related information for and with Indigenous language speakers. Attendees will have an opportunity to learn from this collaboration and to gain practical takeaways for successful outreach with Indigenous language speakers.

### **Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of this session, participants will:

1. Understand some ways in which Indigenous orientations to health differ from Western conceptions of health.
2. Gain specific strategies for designing health messaging specifically to better align with Indigenous approaches to health.
3. See sample materials that use Indigenous approaches to health and collaboration among multiple entities to design effective health messaging for Indigenous language speakers.

### **Abstract 2: Emergency Preparedness for Indigenous Communities**

When working with Indigenous Populations, it is important to ensure that communication is accessible and understandable. Accessible communication is especially pertinent during emergency situations when the news shared is urgent. The Guatemalan-Maya Center has been effective in serving the Indigenous community who oftentimes speak one of twenty-two Mayan languages and may experience low literacy. Presenters will discuss their strategies for effective communication with Indigenous populations during emergencies, including prioritizing verbal communication over written communication (such as voice messages and videos), speaking on popular local radio stations, and making megaphone announcements through the streets. Presenters will also describe how to prepare for emergencies with this population, how to provide advocacy assistance in times of crisis, and share examples and resources when serving Indigenous communities.



## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Understand the importance of communicating effectively with Indigenous populations.
2. Learn how to prepare for crises and gain communication strategies for reaching this community during emergency situations.
3. Learn about advocacy assistance and gain access resources to serve this population.

### **Abstract 3: COVID-19 Consequences Among Hispanic and Indigenous Agricultural Workers in California, USA and Michoacán, Mexico**

This session will discuss results of a study that explores the impact of COVID-19 on the social networks and family dynamics among men and women agricultural workers in California (USA) and Michoacán (Mexico). The social circumstances of agricultural workers increase their vulnerability to adverse impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic. Agricultural workers and their families in USA are predominantly born in Mexico and Spanish-speaking. These essential workers in Mexico and USA are often housed together, learn about employment opportunities from each other, and travel in groups. Indigenous workers, a growing segment of the agricultural labor supply in USA and Mexico, face greater challenges in navigating social capital or community resources. Michoacán, the home region for Purhépecha Indigenous agricultural workers, remains one of the top sources of agricultural labor for California and the rest of the USA. Presenter will share information gathered through 40 qualitative interviews that were conducted among Spanish and Indigenous language speaking agricultural workers in California. Major themes included (1) reduced social capital and support from gatherings, (2) occurrence of death in the community, family, and workplace, (3) reduced communication with family abroad, and (4) parental concerns for their children's education, enrichment, and development. Agricultural workers' primary motivators, such as taking pride in work and supporting their children, are detailed. These findings will inform development of COVID-19 relief efforts such as local outreach collaborations. Findings will also inform COVID-19 prevention efforts and outreach to agricultural worker families. Local and transnational comparisons from sample will be used to support policy recommendations at the state, national, and binational level.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will:

1. Identify adverse impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic among Indigenous agricultural workers in the U. S. and Mexico.
2. Identify challenges of the Indigenous agricultural workers in accessing community resources.
3. Learn about the COVID-19 prevention efforts and outreach collaborations to agricultural worker families.

**Esta sesión se presenta en inglés con interpretación en español.  
This session is presented in English with interpretation in Spanish.**



## **Title: Optimal Care and Management of Diabetes and Heart Disease for Successful Outcomes**

Time: 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Presenter(s): Abstract 1: Sacha Uelmen and Angela Forfia – ADCES  
Abstract 2: Caroline Blanco, Elmo Lopez, Jr. and Otila Garcia – Gateway Community HC  
Abstract 3: Catalina Burillo – Mercy Health Project and Naomi Hyso – Michigan State University Extension  
Room: Capitol View Terrace South

### **Abstract 1: Diabetes Self-Management Education in Federally Qualified Health Centers: Increase Quality, Reduce Burden**

Migratory and seasonal agricultural workers (MSAWs) and their families face personal, social, economic, and environmental factors that increase their risk of developing type 2 diabetes. This interactive workshop highlights the value of Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support (DSMES) services in the federally qualified health center (FQHC) setting to help those living with diabetes. The presenters will discuss how DSMES can improve the health and well-being of MSAWs with diabetes while reducing the burden on healthcare providers and the diabetes care team. Examples from DSMES services across the country will be shared for discussion. Workshop participants will leave with a deeper understanding of DSMES services as well as tools to start up or sustain successful DSMES delivery, including tips for telehealth delivery.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Describe the value of DSMES services in an FQHC.
2. Prepare to integrate DSMES services in an FQHC, including how to support telehealth and hybrid delivery of DSMES.
3. Apply knowledge toward building successful and sustainable DSMES services.

### **Abstract 2: Know Diabetes by Heart: CHWs Providing Diabetes Support in Health Disparate Communities**

Cardiovascular disease remains the leading cause of death and disability for people living with type 2 diabetes. Diabetes support programs have been shown to reduce complications and improve overall health and quality of life, but unfortunately, are not readily available in health disparate communities. The American Diabetes Association and the American Heart Association have launched the joint collaborative Know Diabetes by Heart (KDBH) to raise awareness and understanding of the link between diabetes and cardiovascular disease.

During this educational session, the presenters will provide an overview of the American Diabetes Association's Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes, focusing on elements most relevant to community health workers (CHWs). The presenters will review the Know Diabetes by Heart's Health Lesson, available in English and Spanish, along with other health education materials, including meal planning resources that are culturally tailored for various ethnic/minority populations. Using a case-based approach, the presenters will then discuss how CHWs have successfully implemented diabetes support programs in health disparate areas integrating culturally relevant education and resources. Participants will be given an opportunity to practice using these take-home tools and resources. Special attention will be put on the CHW's role as part of the diabetes care team and how organizations can utilize these best-practice tools and resources helping to create community-clinical linkages.



## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will:

1. Discuss the American Diabetes Association's Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes recommendations for evidence-based strategies to improve the management of diabetes in underserved communities.
2. Explain the role that CHWs can play in diabetes management and type 2 diabetes prevention in the clinical or community setting.
3. Identify action steps that participants can take to integrate culturally and linguistically relevant tools and resources for diabetes support programs across the lifespan.

### **Abstract 3: Successful Outcomes and Lessons Learned in Addressing Type 2 Diabetes Among Agricultural Workers during a Pandemic**

The Oceana Health Bound Coalition's Diabetes sub-committee has been addressing health disparities among the underserved, high-risk agricultural worker population in rural Oceana County, Michigan since 2016. Up until the pandemic began in 2020, local key stakeholders met monthly to sustain these efforts. Their main objective was to increase the number of adults who were self-managing their diabetes. A community wide model for type 2 diabetes was established through community-clinic partnership systems. The partners joined together to screen, test, and refer at risk patients through mobile diabetes screenings. Due to the inability to conduct in-person workshops during the pandemic, virtual diabetes self-management workshops were conducted both in English and in Spanish. The Prescription (Rx) for Health program is the latest component added to these workshops. This is an opportunity for participants to earn a \$20 voucher per session for fresh, frozen, or canned fruits and vegetables through a generous grant from the Michigan Health Endowment Fund. A bi-directional referral process exists between key partners to promote this opportunity. The goal of these workshops is to reduce risk and improve overall health outcomes. Other tools developed through the coalition sub-committee continue to be utilized in healthcare settings including a bilingual diabetes health passport booklet to assist both providers and patients in managing and keeping better health records, especially for transient workers. This presentation will include impact data gathered from prevention and self-management program participants.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will:

1. Learn more about the Prescription for Health project and how it can be implemented in their local area.
2. Identify potential partners to carry out a Prescription for Health program in their local community - Collaboration is Key!
3. Identify diabetes self-management workshops available virtually or in-person.

**Esta sesión se presenta en inglés con interpretación en español. This session is presented in English with interpretation in Spanish.**



## WELCOME RECEPTION

**Monday, March 28, 2022**

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM, The SideYARD & Terrace

Join us for networking, sharing from guest speaker presentations, and exciting live entertainment by a local mariachi band. We also invite you to share your "Migrant Health Journey."

### Thanks to our Poster Presenters!

Kimberly Prado, PhD, MPH, University of Texas at Austin

#### **"COVID-19 Consequences Among Hispanic and Indigenous Agricultural Workers in California, USA and Michoacan, Mexico"**



Yaritza Carmona, BA, Doctoral Student, The University of Texas at Austin

#### **"Attitudes Toward Undocumented Farmworkers and their Contributions to the U.S. Economy"**



Nydia Villezcas, MPH Student and Daisy Rosero, MPH, College of Population Health, University of New Mexico

#### **"The Organic Farmer Safety Health and Life Survey (OFSHL): A Survey of Work and Life Experiences of Organic Producers"**

and

#### **"Revitalizing the Local Food System: A Discussion on the Bernalillo County's Farm Training Program and its Social and Health Benefits"**



**OPENING PLENARY \*\***

**Tuesday, March 29, 2022**

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM, Capitol Ballroom D-E

**Celebrating Migrant Health 60th Year Anniversary**

**Update from the Bureau of Primary Health Care:**

Video presentation from Jim Macrae, M.A., M.P.P., Associate Administrator of the Bureau of Primary Health Care

**CDC Presentation: CDC Initiatives to Protect Agricultural Workers during the COVID-19 Pandemic,**

Dr. Alfonso Rodriguez Lainz, PhD, DVM, MPVM, Epidemiologist at the Division of Global Migration and Quarantine

**Keynote Presentation** featuring Sam Byrd, Director of Centro de Comunidad y Justicia

**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**



**Jim Macrae, M.A., M.P.P.**

Mr. Macrae has led the Health Resources and Services Administration’s (HRSA) Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC) for more than 10 years. He manages a \$5.6 billion budget supporting nearly 13,000 health center service delivery sites, which provide high-quality primary health care to nearly 30 million people nationwide. Mr. Macrae has received numerous awards, including the Secretary’s Award for Distinguished Service (2019), Hubert H. Humphrey Award for Service to America (2015), the HRSA Administrator’s Award for Equal Opportunity Achievement (2014), and the Presidential Meritorious Executive Rank Award (2010).



**Dr. Alfonso Rodriguez Lainz, PhD, DVM, MPVM**

Dr. Rodriguez Lainz is an epidemiologist at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Division of Global Migration and Quarantine, US-Mexico Unit. Dr. Rodriguez’s main responsibilities include acting as a liaison, planner, and coordinator for Latino migrant health activities for the Division, in collaboration with other federal, state, and international partners. In that role, he leads efforts to increase awareness and evidence about health disparities experienced by Latino migrants in the U.S.



**Sam Byrd**

Mr. Byrd is the Director of Centro de Comunidad y Justicia in Boise, Idaho, and has more than 25 years of experience in working with a variety of public and private sector organizations. As a community facilitator, he has been a leader in various cultural and human rights groups, including the Task Force on Hispanic Education, the Idaho Committee on Indian Education, the Idaho Inclusiveness Coalition, the Idaho Human Rights Education Center, and the Council on Hispanic Education. Mr. Byrd currently serves on the University of Idaho’s Diversity and Human Rights Committee, and the Boise State University Selland College Advisory Committee, the YMCA board of directors, and the Albertson College of Idaho board of directors. Mr. Byrd has been the recipient of a number of awards including the Larry G. Selland Humanitarian Award by the Boise State University Women’s Center, the national Howard Swearer Humanitarian Award by the Campus Compact, the University of Idaho President’s Medallion and the Distinguished Leadership in Human Rights award by Hewlett-Packard.



**Title:** Health Literacy to Address Opioid Use in Agricultural Worker Communities

**Time:** 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

**Presenter(s):** Hansel Ibarra – MHP Salud; Alexis Guild – Farmworker Justice; Laszlo Madaras – Migrant Clinicians Network

**Room:** Capitol View Terrace North

Opioid misuse and addiction is recognized as a public health crisis and epidemic impacting the general population in the United States. Findings from an assessment conducted in 2019 by the Farmworker Health Network with Migrant Health Centers (MHCs) indicated that opioid misuse is an emerging issue affecting agricultural worker communities. During this workshop, presenters will provide an overview of opioid misuse and addiction, discuss the role of patient health literacy in addressing and preventing opioid misuse, and an overview of culturally and linguistically appropriate health education strategies used in clinical and community settings. Available resources, strategies, and patient education about pain management, proper use, and potential for misuse of prescription opioids resources will be provided.

### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Explain the role of health literacy in addressing and preventing opioid misuse.
2. Increase their understanding of health education strategies and best practices for addressing health literacy concerning opioid use.
3. Use available educational materials and resources available to clinicians, community health workers, and patients to help improve health literacy concerning opioid use.



**Esta sesión se presenta en inglés con interpretación en español.  
This session is presented in English with interpretation in Spanish.**

**Title:** Health Implications of the Aging Domestic Crop Worker Population

**Time:** 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

**Presenter(s):** Susan Gabbard – JBS International and Daniel Carroll – U.S. Department of Labor

**Room:** Capitol Ballroom D-E

The aging of the domestic crop worker population is affecting the health and wellness of this population, and the provision of healthcare services. This session will begin by examining changes in the agricultural industry that underlie this trend. Then, findings from the National Agricultural Workers Survey will describe the current population of older agricultural workers (both immigrants and the U.S.-born), covering key demographics, household composition, income, poverty, and use of social services. The session will then cover older crop workers' agricultural employment and their occupational health risks, their prevalence of age-related diseases, and older workers' access to health insurance and utilization of health services. The session will then identify implications for healthcare provision of the aging crop worker population. The session will conclude with a discussion where attendees can share their health centers' experiences with older workers and how health centers are addressing this demographic change.

### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. List three ways that the population of older crop workers differs from younger crop workers.
2. Understand how age affects occupational health risks.
3. List three implications for healthcare of the aging of the domestic crop labor force.

**Title:** Strategies to Mitigate COVID-19 Among MSAWs

**Time:** 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

**Presenter(s):** Abstract 1: Monica Juarez Hernandez and Jennifer Seamans – Oregon Health Authority

Abstract 2: Claudia Corwin – University of Iowa and Caroline Johnson – Proteus

**Room:** Capitol Ballroom F-H

**Abstract 1: COVID-19 Rapid Assessment Tools for MSAW Communities in Rural Oregon**

Publicly reported COVID-19 data is often unreliable for agricultural and food processing worker communities. Rapid Community Assessment (RCA) is one tool that can be used to quickly gather community insights about public health in order to inform program design. Presenters will share their experience in utilizing COVID-19 RCA to help clarify reasons for low vaccination, identify access challenges, and adapt outreach for migratory, seasonal, and indigenous Mesoamerican agricultural workers and food processing workers. In this session, local and state partners will describe adaptation, implementation, and results of the RCA in rural Oregon during summer 2021. Each presenter will discuss their role, resources needed for a successful RCA, and plans for utilizing findings. Presenters will also describe the process of transforming the results into post-project actions needed to achieve community health equity.

### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Describe what a Rapid Community Assessment (RCA) is, and how to adapt for culturally and linguistically diverse agricultural and food processing worker communities.
2. Discuss ways that RCA can support vaccination programs and other public health service improvements, especially for indigenous Mesoamerican communities.
3. Identify the collaborations and partnerships that are necessary for a successful RCA, and post-project actions needed to achieve community health equity.

**Abstract 2: Novel Cohort Process to Minimize COVID-19 Infection in Migratory and Seasonal Ag Workers**

Migratory and seasonal agricultural workers (MSAWs) experience disproportionate infection, severe disease, and death from COVID-19. Presenters will share an innovative process to address the safety of MSAWs that utilized "cohorting," which allowed for a safe release to work in the fields on a large family farm in Iowa. The success of this model points to the power of collaboration between farm employer, healthcare providers, and workers to minimize worker infection and enable safe work in the fields. Increased state and federal support for MSAW protections could support infrastructure to proactively plan for prevention mechanisms to prevent the spread of known infectious diseases. With support in place from the top down, employers, workers, and healthcare providers will be able to prioritize the management of infectious diseases and the needs of essential workers.

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Participants will be able to identify risk factors for increased COVID-19 transition among MSAWs, identifying differences in pandemic preparation needs for this population, and discuss ways to adapt this process to their healthcare settings.

### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Identify risk factors for increased COVID-19 transmission in migratory and seasonal agricultural workers (MSAWs).
2. Discuss difference between pandemic preparation needs of MSAWs as compared to the general population.
3. Discuss innovative process to address safety of MSAWs during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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### Title: Utilizing an Arts-Based Approach to Improve Mental Health and Stress in Agricultural Worker Communities

Time: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM  
Presenter(s): Kimber Nicolletti-Martinez – Purdue University  
Room: Capitol View Terrace South

Mental health challenges and stress are recognized as a significant disability in migratory agricultural worker populations. The AgrAbility project has been utilizing art to facilitate discussions around mental health and stress. Migratory agricultural worker communities have a long tradition of using art to express ideas about social issues. Every year, platicas or educational talk sessions are conducted at Indiana Migrant Farm Worker camp settings to discuss family, stress, and health. Participants are guided through art activities that focus on health of the family through which they can explore and discuss issues around mental health challenges and stress. Participants express their ideas in clay sculptures, colored pencil drawings and interactive theater skits. This workshop will share lessons learned from these platicas, such as overcoming cultural resistance and taboos to mental health, addressing barriers to appropriate mental health solutions, and engaging agricultural worker communities in arts-based activities.

This interactive workshop explores the development of culturally relevant approaches to meeting the mental health and stress needs of agricultural workers. Participants will learn about the AgrAbility Project and its efforts to support and advocate for safe working conditions for agricultural worker communities.

### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Understand more about the intersection of Mental health disabilities and the agricultural worker population.
2. Learn basic concepts of using experiential learning model with art to engage agricultural worker populations in discussion.
3. Discover the foundation of interactive theater to engage agricultural worker communities in education.

 **Esta sesión se presenta en inglés con interpretación en español. This session is presented in English with interpretation in Spanish.**

### Title: Understanding the Mental Health Needs of Unaccompanied Immigrant Children from Latin America

Time: 1:45pm-3:15pm  
Presenter(s): Dr. Jordan Montgomery – Florida State University  
Room: Capitol View Terrace North

The number of unaccompanied and separated immigrant children in the United States has surged to a record high in recent years. Current data suggests that the majority of unaccompanied and separated youth in the United States fled from Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, and El Salvador. These migration trends are associated with a variety of economic, political, environmental, and social factors that have prompted youth and families to flee their homeland. Many of these youth have witnessed or experienced significant trauma in their home country, during their migration journey, and upon resettlement. These traumatic experiences, combined with challenging detention and immigration policies, pose significant, long-term risks to the physical and mental health of immigrant youth and families. This presentation will discuss how traumatic separation affects immigrant children and will provide some recommendations for how Primary Care settings can better respond to the mental health needs of this population when they arrive in health centers to access medical care.

### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Understand the concept of cultural humility and its importance when working with unaccompanied children.
2. Provide an overview of the potentially traumatizing events that unaccompanied children face in each phase of migration and identify effective ways to support those impacted by traumatic separation.
3. List common symptoms of psychological distress that unaccompanied children may present with in primary care settings.

 **Esta sesión se presenta en inglés con interpretación en español. This session is presented in English with interpretation in Spanish.**

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### Title: Recognition, Management, Prevention of Heat-Related Illness Among Agricultural Workers

Time: 1:45pm-3:15pm  
Presenter(s): Theresa Lyons-Clampitt – Migrant Clinicians Network and Alexis Guild – Farmworker Justice  
Room: Capitol Ballroom D-E

Agricultural workers are at significant risk for heat-related illness that results from over exposure to heat. Heat-related illness includes health stress, heat exhaustion, heat stroke, and even death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, agricultural workers are 20 times more likely to die from heat exposure than other workers. Agricultural work, which requires performing physically demanding work for long hours in hot and sometimes humid weather, places workers at high risk. Since workers may not be familiar with all symptoms of heat-related illness, it is important that clinicians discuss heat-related



illness symptoms and prevention with agricultural workers and others who are at risk. In this session, presenter will introduce a new Clinician's Guide on Heat-related Illness. Presenters will also discuss causes for heat-related illness and provide information on prevention and treatment.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Identify symptoms of heat-related illness.
2. Describe prevention strategies for heat-related illness.
3. Recognize resources to address heat-related illness among agricultural workers.

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### **Title: 100 Teams are Better than 1: Building Cross-Sector, State-Local Partnerships to Support Agricultural Worker Health during COVID and Beyond**

Time: 1:45 PM – 3:15 PM

Presenter(s): Dulce Arroyo – NC Farmworker Health Program and Khalil Harbi – NC Department of Health and Human Services

Room: Capitol Ballroom F–H

In late 2020, when COVID-19 vaccines were first released to the public, the North Carolina Farmworker Health Program (NCFHP) began strategizing ways to inform migratory and seasonal agricultural workers (MSAWs) and partners about the vaccines and increase vaccine access for MSAWs across the state. As a result, NCFHP, in collaboration with the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) Communicable Disease Branch, developed statewide, localized, and community-level strategies for increasing MSAW access to COVID vaccines and health care services in general. A Local Teams Model was created through state and local partnerships, resulting in local teams in all 100 North Carolina counties. This innovative, relationship-focused model, centered around a shared and hopeful goal of increasing vaccinations for MSAWs, has created cross-sector partnerships between public health and agricultural agencies that would not have otherwise taken place. It also created a space for NCFHP sites, other agricultural worker-serving agencies, and new partners such as local Health Departments and Cooperative Extension agents to collaborate around local, mobile, and other types of health services, and avoid duplication of efforts. From Apr-Oct 2021, local teams and centralized events combined have administered over 26,000 COVID-19 vaccine doses to the agricultural community in North Carolina. This collaborative model serves as a foundation for effective future partnerships around topics such as emerging issues, emergencies/disasters, and other issues of value to all local partners.

During this 90-minute session, NCFHP presenters will review the steps, components, roles, tools, data collection and language inclusion methods used through the Local Teams Model to address health equity and increase access to health care for MSAWs in NC. Presenters will also provide an interactive space for participants to share and explore new partnerships that they may use to create similar models, using tools provided during the session.

## Learning Objectives:

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Describe three components of the Local COVID Response Team model used by the NCFHP.
2. Name three ways that those response teams could support COVID Response or other Health & Safety Efforts to reach MSAWs.
3. Identify new strategic partnerships that could be formed in their own communities that would support long-term agricultural worker health and safety.

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### **Title: Agricultural Worker Health 101**

Time: 1:45 PM – 3:15 PM

Presenter(s): Monica Garcia – MHP Salud, Isabel Gross – Farmworker Justice, and Liam Spurgeon – Health Outreach Partners

Room: Capitol View Terrace South

This workshop offers a comprehensive orientation to the Migrant Health program in the United States. Whether you are new to the migrant health field or someone that needs a refresher, join us for a look into the fascinating world of the health care program for migratory and seasonal agricultural workers and their families. In this workshop, participants will learn the history of agricultural migration, the structure of the Migrant Health program, and the people that make it work. Learn about agricultural workers, their health care needs, and the system of care that works for them. Acronyms such as DHHS, HRSA, BPHC, ONTASP, FHN, PCMH, etc. will be deciphered, and available resources to make your work easier and better will be provided.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Identify the migratory and seasonal agricultural worker (MSAW) population and their barriers to healthcare.
2. Understand the history, structure, and requirements of the federal Migrant Health Program.
3. Explain the system of care for MSAWs.

**Esta sesión se presenta en inglés con interpretación en español.**

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**Title:** Maternal, Infant, and Child Health  
**Time:** 3:30 pm -5:00 pm  
**Presenter(s):** Kim Bush – University of Texas at Tyler  
**Room:** Capitol View Terrace North

Maternal, infant, and child health are leading public health issues. Awareness and education on how each stage of life depends on the other are vital strategies to improve health literacy and quality of life. Health status of an infant begins with the maternal grandmother; therefore, lifestyle choices not only impact the mother, infant, and child but also future generations. Life is a cycle that can be ended prematurely without appropriate awareness and education promoting healthy informed decisions. Additionally, social determinants of health are another factor imposing consequences in the overall health status and quality of life. During this session we will cover the most important aspects of the generational health and the life cycle; discuss the impact of COVID-19 and factors of vaccine hesitancy of pregnant women; and define tools to be used to increase awareness and education.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Describe the impact of generational maternal, infant, and child health and define social determinants of health that impact these health outcomes.
2. Evaluate facts relating to the impact of COVID-19 and vaccine hesitancy on pregnant women, infants, and children.
3. Explore tools that can be used to increase awareness of education on generational health and evaluate effects of maternal health on child.



**Esta sesión se presenta en español con interpretación en inglés.  
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**Title:** Improving Health Outcomes Through Virtual Optimization

**Time:** 3:30 pm-5:00 pm  
**Presenter(s):** Abstract 1: Mary Pufahl, Amanda Byler, and Cinthya Quintero – Great Lakes Bay Health Center  
Abstract 2: Sirene Garcia – Finger Lakes Community Health  
**Room:** Capitol Ballroom D-E

## Abstract 1: Hardware, Software, Aware: The Process of Using Technology to Advance Migrant Health and Healthcare Access

Great Lakes Bay Health Center's mobile medical program uses technology as an integral tool in providing care to the unique population of Michigan's agricultural workers. The presenter will describe their fundamental value of technology in patient interaction and the framework necessary to implement changes to the current model of care. Presenters will illustrate this approach through a pilot program funded by a COVID-19 grant to illustrate their approach. The program involved the utilization of iPad tablets to foster physical and mental health while mitigating the risk of COVID-19 transmission by facilitating virtual access to community and healthcare. Presenters will discuss how adaptability and

collaboration with other key resources within the organization was critical to success. They will also detail some of the challenges encountered and approaches to addressing them. Finally, presenters will share their vision moving into the future and inspire others to explore the use of technology to engage agricultural workers.

## Learning Objectives:

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Understand the importance of choosing and providing appropriate technology media for a mobile, migratory population.
2. Review the importance of navigating software platforms and promoting virtual communication with agricultural workers.
3. Recognize the importance of sensitivity and adaptation to evolving needs and technologies in order to optimize access and engagement.

## Abstract 2: Telehealth: Why It's Still Important Even Without COVID

This presentation will look at the internal, external, and direct-to-consumer telehealth opportunities organizations have available to them for collaboration and providing access to health care. There are many intricate layers and options in each telehealth model. Looking closely at how social determinants of health can be addressed by using telehealth as well as collaborating with others. Finger Lakes Community Health will speak on how its programs have changed over the course of these past two years, new collaborations, more patient engagement, and how they used video conferencing technology to retain the workforce.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Understand the difference between an internal, external, and direct-to-consumer telehealth model.
2. Understand how telehealth can be used to support quality outcomes, patient engagement and social determinants of health.
3. Understand the value telehealth offers, how video conferencing impacts the workforce and teleworking, and the need to continue to improve those services to remain competitive.

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**Title:** CHWs Are Essential to Addressing MSAW Mental Health Needs

**Time:** 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM  
**Presenter(s):** Flor Robertson and Monica Calderon – MHP Salud  
**Room:** Capitol Ballroom F-H

The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services states that mental health “includes our emotional, psychological, and social well-being.” Addressing mental health in marginalized communities is necessary to address the population's health needs in a holistic way because they are often the most vulnerable. Migratory and seasonal agricultural workers (MSAWs) are at risk to a variety of mental health issues. In early 2021, MHP Salud conducted a National MSAW Mental Health Survey, which revealed that the most reported mental health issues among MSAWs are depression, generalized anxiety disorder, and substance abuse. Community Health Workers (CHWs) can work closely with MSAWs and communicate effectively by connecting through share culture, language, and identity. This interactive workshop will provide CHWs and other Health Center staff working with MSAWs



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with tools and strategies to connect with MSAWs to promote self-care and mental health well-being.

Participants will have the opportunity to have a peer exchange to discuss mental health issues in their community and practice new strategies to build confidence in working with MSAWs on mental health.

### Learning Objectives:

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Learn about results from the 2021 National MSAW Mental Health Survey completed by 73 Migrant Health Centers.
2. Understand critical roles of Community Health Workers on a clinical care team working with MSAWs on mental health issues.
3. Identify at least 3 tools available for Community Health Workers to work closely with MSAWs on self-care and mental health.

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**Title:** Best Practices and Collaborative Approaches for Increasing Agricultural Worker Health Engagement  
**Time:** 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM  
**Presenter(s):** Abstract 1: Moises Moreida and Cheryl McMahan – TrueCare  
Abstract 2: Mario Garza and Joelynn Avendano – National Center for Farmworker Health  
**Room:** Capitol View Terrace South

### Abstract 1: Juntos with Migratory and Seasonal Agricultural Workers

Juntos (Together) with migratory and seasonal agricultural workers (MSAWs), opens the door to discussing how important it is to understand, nurture, and engage with MSAWs. Join TrueCare for this presentation on how to better connect and build unique relationships with the MSAW community. The presenters will share their work with other organizations and explore how to take steps to connect and take action with MSAWs by sharing best practices, proven effective strategies, and networking experiences with nurseries across North County San Diego. The presentation will encompass, the top health disparities among MSAWs, the importance of integrating cultural sensitivity when supporting the agricultural population, and best practices and strategies to use when communicating with MSAWs.

### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Recognize top health disparities among migratory and seasonal agricultural workers.
2. Understand the importance of integrating cultural sensitivity when supporting the agricultural population.
3. Learn about best practices and strategies from TrueCare.

### Abstract 2: Convening and Engaging a FW Feedback Committee

The National Center for Farmworker Health (NCFH) has a collaborative approach to designing informative health material that benefits the community it is trying to engage with. A way to do so is through the formation of a Farmworker Committee composed of Spanish-speaking migratory and seasonal agricultural workers (MSAWs) who are based in the U.S., Honduras, and Mexico. The committee communicates solely through WhatsApp, where they provide feedback on NCFH's COVID-19 educational materials for MSAWs via video calls, voice recording, and text messages, as their schedule allows. This session will showcase how having direct input by MSAWs has proven to be invaluable in creating educational materials that work for them.

In this session, participants will learn tips and strategies on convening a feedback committee composed by MSAWs, learn tips on how to utilize Whatsapp to gather direct feedback on educational health materials from farmworkers, and gain insights on the benefits of convening a farmworker feedback committee.

### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Gather tips and strategies on convening an MSAW feedback committee and the benefits of having their input.
2. Learn how to utilize Whatsapp to gather direct feedback on educational health materials from MSAWs.
3. Gain access to NCFH's COVID-19 Resources with material reviewed by the Farmworker Committee.



## MORNING PLENARY\*\*

### Program Update from the National Association of Community Health Centers

Time: 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM

Presented by Rachel A. Gonzales-Hanson, Senior Vice-President for Western Operations at NACHC

Room: Capitol Ballroom D-E



### Immigration Policy Updates

#### Title: Immigration Policy, Today and Tomorrow: What's Needed to Serve Patients

Time: 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Presented by Roger Rosenthal, Executive Director at Migrant Legal Action Program

Room: Capitol Ballroom D-E

Immigrants and their families are a critically important part of the population served by health centers. Therefore, it is essential for Health Center staff to better understand how to ensure access to and fully deliver services to all eligible patients. This session will explain, step-by-step, the complex world of current immigration law and policies that impact many patients served by health centers. Presenter will begin with a review of government agencies responsible for immigration and explain basic concepts. Presenter will also review legalization, immigration enforcement, Public Charge, and the status of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. Presenter will then review possible upcoming changes in immigration policy. Finally, to maximize patient access, presenter will discuss patient privacy concerns and how to overcome immigrant fears of getting health services. This information will be immediately usable in undertaking outreach, intake, and planning programs, ensuring services to all eligible patients.

#### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Better understand the current status of immigration policy as it affects their patients and patients' families and what possible changes in immigration policy may be coming.
2. Better explain those policies to their patients and their families and try to correct misunderstandings, in order to encourage greater, continuing access to health services.
3. Better design delivery of services to immigrants and their families and undertake intake and outreach to maximize patient access and participation to better serve them.

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



### Rachel A. Gonzales-Hanson

A life-long resident of Uvalde, Texas, Ms. Gonzales-Hanson joined the staff of the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) in January 2020 as the Senior Vice-President for Western Operations. Prior to joining NACHC, she served as CEO of Community Health Development, Inc. (CHDI). Ms. Gonzales-Hanson's involvement with CHDI began while serving as one of its founding board members in 1983. In addition to overseeing CHDI's operations and significant growth, she focused on improving access to affordable, quality health care for people from all walks of life, including those from rural areas, agricultural workers, and veterans.



### Roger Rosenthal, J.D.

Mr. Rosenthal is the Executive Director of the Migrant Legal Action Program (MLAP), a national non-profit support and advocacy center located in Washington, D.C. MLAP works with an extensive network of agricultural worker service providers, including migrant health, migrant education, migrant legal services, job training programs, and other groups, on issues regarding the living and working conditions of migrant and seasonal agricultural workers. Mr. Rosenthal is an attorney and has worked with MLAP since 1980. He serves on a variety of national coalitions and panels in the areas of food and nutrition, Latino and migrant education, Migrant Head Start, child labor, and other areas. He was elected for a two-year term as co-chair of the National Hispanic Education Coalition in January 2007. He has trained extensively around the country on legal and policy issues affecting foreign-born agricultural workers. Mr. Rosenthal has trained on the issue of immigration policy at the National Conference for Agricultural Worker Health and all of the stream health forums, including conducting intensives on the issue. These sessions have been extremely well-received because of the presenter's ability to translate complex legal and policy issues into easily understood concepts.



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**Title:** Ensuring Accurate ID, Classification & Reporting in UDS to Increase Access to Quality Healthcare for MSAWs  
**Time:** 10:15 AM – 11:30 AM  
**Presenter(s):** Lisa Miller and Kadie Koeneman – National Center for Farmworker Health  
**Room:** Capitol View Terrace North

According to the 2020 UDS Data, approximately 977,744 migratory and seasonal agricultural workers (MSAWs) and their families were served by health centers across the country. There are an estimated 4.5 million MSAWs and their families currently living in the U.S., as projected by the National Agricultural Workers Survey and the National Legal Defense Association (NLDA). This clearly shows a need and an opportunity for health centers to increase and broaden the scope of their outreach efforts to MSAWs and their families. Health centers must first ensure they are accurately identifying, classifying, and reporting Ag workers in the UDS. This presentation will provide an overview of the federal definition of agriculture, including qualifying industries and tasks, describe the accurate classification of Agricultural Workers, and address the relationship between proper identification of MSAW patients, reporting, and funding. Participants will have an opportunity to discuss real-life scenarios through case studies and have access to tools and resources for use by their Health Center teams. Presenters will also share information regarding opportunities for continued staff development and training through the NCFH Certificate of Excellence in Migrant Health Program.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Define agriculture, including qualifying industries and tasks, for Agricultural Workers and distinguish between Migratory and Seasonal Agricultural Workers (MSAWs).
2. Describe the relationship between patient verification, Uniform Data System reports, and Health Center funding.
3. Utilize the various tools and resources available to improve identification and registration processes such as assessment forms, action plans, digital training tools, etc. and identify promising practices for increasing access to care for MSAWs and their families.
4. Learn about the NCFH Certificate of Excellence in Migrant Health Program.

**Esta sesión se presenta en español con interpretación en inglés.  
This session is presented in Spanish with interpretation in English.**

**Title:** Voices from the Fields: Agricultural Workers and COVID-19

**Time:** 10:15 AM – 11:30 AM  
**Presenter(s):** Isabel Gross – Farmworker Justice and Netzali Pacheco Rojas, Family Health La Clínica  
**Room:** Capitol Ballroom D-E

In the midst of the pandemic, Farmworker Justice partnered with Migrant Health Centers, migrant and seasonal head starts, and other agricultural worker-serving community-based organizations (CBOs) to produce an innovative film: Voices from the Field. The video

(in Spanish and English, with English subtitles) captures agricultural worker stories and highlights promising practices developed during this challenging time.

During the session, participants will watch the short film together and then meet in small groups to discuss their reactions and experiences. Presenters will also lead a panel discussion about their experiences working on the film.

This workshop will offer participants the opportunity to engage in a lively discussion focused on how COVID-19 has impacted agricultural worker communities throughout the United States and how health centers and CBOs have combatted it. Discussions will take place in English and Spanish (depending on participants' preference), and the panel presentation will be interactive in nature, drawing from the experiences and knowledge of all the participants in the room.

A medley of COVID-19 outreach materials geared toward agricultural workers and their families (in Spanish, Haitian Creole, English, Mixteco, and other Indigenous languages) will be available for participants to take or access online. Promising practices for health centers and community-based organizations will further be shared as we look back at what agricultural workers have already experienced during the pandemic and use those lessons to build safer and healthier communities in the months ahead.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Identify promising practices that have emerged at their Health Center or community-based organization.
2. Discuss promising practices that have emerged in other organizations and consider how to apply those in their own workplace.
3. Familiarize themselves with the range of issues confronting agricultural workers during the COVID-19 pandemic and receive a variety of materials to address these issues.

**Title:** Screening for Social Determinants of Health: Resources and Implementation Considerations for Agricultural Worker Populations

**Time:** 10:15 AM – 11:30 AM  
**Presenter(s):** Alexis Laboy – National Center for Farmworker Health  
**Room:** Capitol Ballroom F-H

The NCFH Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) Resource Hub provides a comprehensive list of SDOH resources and screening tools for health centers to identify and assess the SDOH factors that impact the agricultural worker populations across the country. During this presentation, presenter will highlight commonly used SDOH screening tools and resources through a series of steps recommended by the Center for Health Care Strategies for organizations seeking to use SDOH data to improve patient care. These key considerations will assist health centers in 1) selecting and adapting SDOH screening tools; 2) collecting and integrating patient reported information; 3) creating workflows to track and address patient needs; and 4) identifying community resources and tracking referrals. NCFH will also use case studies to share tips and strategies on how to form community partnerships, and successfully address SDOH barriers and challenges among farmworker populations.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Gain access to SDOH screening tools and additional resources available on NCFH's SDOH Resource Hub.
2. Learn key considerations through steps recommended by the Center for Health Care Strategies for how to use SDOH data to improve patient care.
3. Gather tips and strategies on forming community partnerships through case studies to address SDOH barriers and challenges among agricultural worker populations.



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**Title:** Conducting Outreach and Building Referral Networks  
**Time:** 11:45 AM – 12:30 PM  
**Presenter(s):** Audra Fuentes – Michigan Department of Health and Human Services  
**Room:** Capitol View Terrace North

Join the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Migrant Affairs as they review outreach techniques and resources used to connect with agricultural workers across the state, the various trainings provided to outreach workers, the importance of interagency partnerships for information sharing and referral networks, and how to use these partnerships to meet the health needs of agricultural workers. Presenter will focus special attention on strategies for building partnerships among service providers that can be used by participants in their respective states. Examples of state and regional collaboration networks, established since the pandemic to protect agricultural workers from COVID-19 by coordinating testing and vaccine events, will be highlighted.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. List techniques and resources used in Michigan to conduct outreach.
2. Explain Michigan's approach to building interagency partnerships and its benefits.
3. Describe two interagency networks used for referrals and how they meet the needs of agricultural workers.

**Title:** Identifying, Assessing, and Responding to Human Trafficking in a Healthcare Setting

**Time:** 11:45 AM – 12:30 PM  
**Presenter(s):** Amy Hester - Survivors of Trafficking Empowerment Program, Refugee Services of Texas  
**Room:** Capitol Ballroom D-E

This session will give an overview of the definition of human trafficking, common myths, and misconceptions around the topic. The presenter will address the critical role of healthcare providers in identifying and integrating protocols and procedures to assess and respond to the needs of trafficked individuals in a healthcare setting. Participants will learn

key factors that make a person vulnerable to trafficking and exploitation, such as dating violence. Presenters will discuss how to identify and respond to red flags, specifically on adult labor in the context of agricultural worker health and other types of exploitation in all ages. Presenter will also share referral and resource information at all levels from the National Human Trafficking Hotline to the local offices in Austin, Texas and surrounding areas including Refugee Services of Texas (RST) Survivors of Trafficking Empowerment Program (STEP) Program and what to expect when a health provider makes a referral and available options for the survivor of human trafficking.

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Understand the definition of human trafficking, myths, and misconceptions.
2. Identify red flags to identify, assess and respond in a healthcare setting.
3. Obtain resource and referral information with steps involved when making a referral.



**Esta sesión se presenta en español con interpretación en inglés.  
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**Title:** The Role of Community Health Workers in Medical and Dental Integration  
**Time:** 11:45 AM – 12:30 PM  
**Presenter(s):** Dr. Yashashri Urankar – Community Health Centers of South Central Texas, Inc.  
**Room:** Capitol Ballroom F-H

Integration of oral health and primary care practice is a strategy to help increase access to oral health care. The session will describe the rationale for integrating oral health with other disciplines and provide examples of community health worker activities in medical and dental integration. Dr. Yashashri Urankar from Community Health Centers of South Central Texas will share how her health center has integrated dental, behavioral health, and medical services at her organization. This session is presented in partnership with the National Network for Oral Health Access (NNOHA).

## Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. Explain the rationale for the integration of oral health and primary care practice.
2. Describe roles and activities community health workers can perform that contribute to integration.
3. Learn how Community Health Centers of South Central Texas implemented oral health integration in their health center.



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## CLOSING PLENARY\*\* LUNCHEON

Wednesday, March 30, 2022

12:45 PM - 2:30 PM, Capitol Ballroom D-E

### Reflection on 60 years of Migrant Health

Presented by retired NCFH CEO, Bobbi Ryder



### Agricultural Worker Access Campaign Update & Activity

Presented by Lisa Miller, Training Services Manager, and Kadie Koeneman, IAC Project Coordinator, at the National Center for Farmworker Health

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



### Bobbi Ryder

Bobbi Ryder holds a BA in Latin American Studies and Child Psychology (dual major) and a minor in Linguistics from Michigan State University. She completed the Hispanic Health Leadership Fellowship program at Harvard University Kennedy School of Government. In 2004, Ms. Ryder completed a two-year Kellogg-funded fellowship at the University of Illinois at Chicago, School of Public Health, (Health Professions fellows), in collaborative leadership. Ms. Ryder has extensive knowledge and experience in the field of migrant health. Career landmarks include founding of the Amigos de los Ninos HeadStart Program in Keeler Michigan 1976, Executive Director of the Migrant and Rural Community Health Association (MARCHA) (now InterCare Community Health) in Bangor Michigan, & CEO of the National Center for Farmworker Health (NCFH) in Buda, TX, until her retirement in December of 2018. Expanding access to quality health care for migratory and seasonal agricultural workers through community health center leadership remains a priority focus for Ms. Ryder.

A national initiative to increase the number of Migratory & Seasonal Agricultural Workers & their families served in Health Centers.

<http://www.ncfh.org/ag-worker-access.html>



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You are encouraged to earn valuable continuing education credits (CEU) from recognized accrediting bodies. The CEU's are free to registered attendees. Follow the steps below to receive credits in your field:

1. Pick up the CEU application form for your discipline at the registration desk.
2. Sign the attendance sheet for each session you attend.
3. Return the yellow copy of the completed application form to the registration desk before the end of the conference.
4. Obtain certificate of completion:
  - Nurses – mark all sessions attended on the certificate of completion form and return to the registration desk. Your certificate will be mailed to you.
  - SW, LPC, LMFT, CME, CHES – your certificates will be mailed to you.
  - TxCHW – ask the moderator about a certificate at the end of each session.

Only those registered for the conference are eligible for continuing education credits.

Check the registration desk for the specific number of credits issued for this event by each accrediting organization.

### Medical (CME)

Application for CME credit has been filed with the American Academy of Family Physicians. Determination of credit is pending.

### Nurses (CNE)

The Migrant Clinicians Network is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. This activity meets Type I criteria for mandatory continuing education requirements towards re-licensure.

### Social Workers, Licensed Professional Counselors, and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists

This workshop has been approved for continuing education credit for Social Workers, LPCs and LMFTs by the Texas Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers.

### Texas Certified Community Health Workers

This program is approved for non-certified CEUs for promotor(a)s / community health workers by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). As per DSHS, one contact hour is 50 minutes of attendance and participation. Requirements for certification include receipt of a certificate of attendance from each session attended.

### Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES)

Certified Health Education Specialists (CHES) "Sponsored by The National Center for Farmworker Health, Inc., a designated provider of continuing education contact hours (CECH) in health education by the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. This program has been designated for Certified Health Education Specialists (CHES) and/or Master Certified Health Education Specialists (MCHES) to receive up to 10.25 total Category I contact education contact hours.

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