



Institute Member Project Information Sheet

Name of Project: Engaging Outreach Workers in the Development of a Farmworker Research Agenda

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Project Abstract (250 words, if in progress; 500 words, if completed with findings):

Purpose: While outreach workers have extensive interactions with farmworkers around health-related issues, outreach workers do not have a mechanism to communicate those concerns to a research community who might be able to systematically study contributing factors and possible solutions. Likewise, those in the academic community are frequently basing research questions on gaps in the literature without community prioritization of needs. The purpose of this research is to bridge the gap between these two communities with unique expertise and to support emerging collaborations.

Participants: Outreach workers providing health services to farmworkers across the state of North Carolina.

Procedures (methods): This study consists of a focus group and a follow survey of outreach workers providing health services to farmworkers across the state of North Carolina. The results of the study will be analyzed to produce a farmworker health research agenda. The ultimate goal of this effort is collaboration among farmworkers, outreach workers, and researchers to address health issues central to the farmworker community.

Links to Project-related Products (e.g., publications, posters, educational products, etc.):

LePrevost, C. & Walton, A.L. *September 26, 2017. Engaging Outreach Workers in Developing a Farmworker Health Research Agenda*. Engagement Scholarship Consortium. Birmingham, AL. Roundtable. (Catherine LePrevost & AnnMarie Walton, presenters).