Web-based Survey Being Developed to Discover County 4-H Program Needs in Five State Region

In an effort to discover the health and safety program/resource needs of county 4-H programs, the SW Center is developing a web-based survey. The 4-H Program Priority Survey will be sent through the cooperative extension service to every county in our five state region that currently has a 4-H Cooperative Extension Agent. The purpose of the survey is to help the Center set priorities for the development of new materials and serve as a resource for the dissemination of already existing products.

The survey was created through an intuitive program called Survey Monkey. The two-page survey will consist of open ended and multiple choice questions. It will only take the participants about 5 minutes to complete the survey and in return, they will receive a DVD or VHS copy of one of our animal handling safety videos.

The results from the survey will aid the center in identifying specific needs throughout the region and will lead to more appropriately targeted programs and products for youth.

Each person associated with the center has a vital role in its success and continuation. Our advisory board holds the particularity important responsibility of providing consultation to the administrative core and the principal investigators. They have consistently supported the projects and offered valuable recommendations to the principal investigators. This cycle, our board consists of five highly-qualified individuals: Roberta Baer, Ann Bynum, Raymond Huhnke, Steve Shelton, and Cheryl Taylor. The board members reflect the diversity of the SW Center’s region and scope of work and we are looking forward to their contributions. Each of the board members will be featured individually in the following issues of Cultivation.

Center’s Ag Health, Safety Programs Listed

The Southwest Center for Agricultural Health, Injury Prevention and Education serves a five state region through projects and programs that target areas of potential risk in agricultural industries. However, we not only target individuals who work in agriculture, but also their families.

The world of agriculture may be more expansive than you realize. It includes farming, ranching, fishing, and forestry. Since much agricultural work occurs at home, children often become the victim of serious accidents due to their lack of experience, strength, and maturity combined with an inestimable

Each person associated with the center has a vital role in its success and continuation. Our advisory board holds the particularity important responsibility of providing consultation to the administrative core and the principal investigators. They have consistently supported the projects and offered valuable recommendations to the principal investigators. This cycle, our board consists of five highly-qualified individuals: Roberta Baer, Ann Bynum, Raymond Huhnke, Steve Shelton, and Cheryl Taylor. The board members reflect the diversity of the SW Center’s region and scope of work and we are looking forward to their contributions. Each of the board members will be featured individually in the following issues of Cultivation.

Center’s Ag Health, Safety Programs Listed

The Southwest Center for Agricultural Health, Injury Prevention and Education serves a five state region through projects and programs that target areas of potential risk in agricultural industries. However, we not only target individuals who work in agriculture, but also their families.

The world of agriculture may be more expansive than you realize. It includes farming, ranching, fishing, and forestry. Since much agricultural work occurs at home, children often become the victim of serious accidents due to their lack of experience, strength, and maturity combined with an inestimable

Each person associated with the center has a vital role in its success and continuation. Our advisory board holds the particularity important responsibility of providing consultation to the administrative core and the principal investigators. They have consistently supported the projects and offered valuable recommendations to the principal investigators. This cycle, our board consists of five highly-qualified individuals: Roberta Baer, Ann Bynum, Raymond Huhnke, Steve Shelton, and Cheryl Taylor. The board members reflect the diversity of the SW Center’s region and scope of work and we are looking forward to their contributions. Each of the board members will be featured individually in the following issues of Cultivation.

Center’s Ag Health, Safety Programs Listed

The Southwest Center for Agricultural Health, Injury Prevention and Education serves a five state region through projects and programs that target areas of potential risk in agricultural industries. However, we not only target individuals who work in agriculture, but also their families.

The world of agriculture may be more expansive than you realize. It includes farming, ranching, fishing, and forestry. Since much agricultural work occurs at home, children often become the victim of serious accidents due to their lack of experience, strength, and maturity combined with an inestimable

Each person associated with the center has a vital role in its success and continuation. Our advisory board holds the particularity important responsibility of providing consultation to the administrative core and the principal investigators. They have consistently supported the projects and offered valuable recommendations to the principal investigators. This cycle, our board consists of five highly-qualified individuals: Roberta Baer, Ann Bynum, Raymond Huhnke, Steve Shelton, and Cheryl Taylor. The board members reflect the diversity of the SW Center’s region and scope of work and we are looking forward to their contributions. Each of the board members will be featured individually in the following issues of Cultivation.

Center’s Ag Health, Safety Programs Listed

The Southwest Center for Agricultural Health, Injury Prevention and Education serves a five state region through projects and programs that target areas of potential risk in agricultural industries. However, we not only target individuals who work in agriculture, but also their families.

The world of agriculture may be more expansive than you realize. It includes farming, ranching, fishing, and forestry. Since much agricultural work occurs at home, children often become the victim of serious accidents due to their lack of experience, strength, and maturity combined with an inestimable

Each person associated with the center has a vital role in its success and continuation. Our advisory board holds the particularity important responsibility of providing consultation to the administrative core and the principal investigators. They have consistently supported the projects and offered valuable recommendations to the principal investigators. This cycle, our board consists of five highly-qualified individuals: Roberta Baer, Ann Bynum, Raymond Huhnke, Steve Shelton, and Cheryl Taylor. The board members reflect the diversity of the SW Center’s region and scope of work and we are looking forward to their contributions. Each of the board members will be featured individually in the following issues of Cultivation.

Center’s Ag Health, Safety Programs Listed

The Southwest Center for Agricultural Health, Injury Prevention and Education serves a five state region through projects and programs that target areas of potential risk in agricultural industries. However, we not only target individuals who work in agriculture, but also their families.

The world of agriculture may be more expansive than you realize. It includes farming, ranching, fishing, and forestry. Since much agricultural work occurs at home, children often become the victim of serious accidents due to their lack of experience, strength, and maturity combined with an inestimable

Each person associated with the center has a vital role in its success and continuation. Our advisory board holds the particularity important responsibility of providing consultation to the administrative core and the principal investigators. They have consistently supported the projects and offered valuable recommendations to the principal investigators. This cycle, our board consists of five highly-qualified individuals: Roberta Baer, Ann Bynum, Raymond Huhnke, Steve Shelton, and Cheryl Taylor. The board members reflect the diversity of the SW Center’s region and scope of work and we are looking forward to their contributions. Each of the board members will be featured individually in the following issues of Cultivation.

Center’s Ag Health, Safety Programs Listed

The Southwest Center for Agricultural Health, Injury Prevention and Education serves a five state region through projects and programs that target areas of potential risk in agricultural industries. However, we not only target individuals who work in agriculture, but also their families.

The world of agriculture may be more expansive than you realize. It includes farming, ranching, fishing, and forestry. Since much agricultural work occurs at home, children often become the victim of serious accidents due to their lack of experience, strength, and maturity combined with an inestimable

Each person associated with the center has a vital role in its success and continuation. Our advisory board holds the particularity important responsibility of providing consultation to the administrative core and the principal investigators. They have consistently supported the projects and offered valuable recommendations to the principal investigators. This cycle, our board consists of five highly-qualified individuals: Roberta Baer, Ann Bynum, Raymond Huhnke, Steve Shelton, and Cheryl Taylor. The board members reflect the diversity of the SW Center’s region and scope of work and we are looking forward to their contributions. Each of the board members will be featured individually in the following issues of Cultivation.

Center’s Ag Health, Safety Programs Listed

The Southwest Center for Agricultural Health, Injury Prevention and Education serves a five state region through projects and programs that target areas of potential risk in agricultural industries. However, we not only target individuals who work in agriculture, but also their families.

The world of agriculture may be more expansive than you realize. It includes farming, ranching, fishing, and forestry. Since much agricultural work occurs at home, children often become the victim of serious accidents due to their lack of experience, strength, and maturity combined with an inestimable

Each person associated with the center has a vital role in its success and continuation. Our advisory board holds the particularity important responsibility of providing consultation to the administrative core and the principal investigators. They have consistently supported the projects and offered valuable recommendations to the principal investigators. This cycle, our board consists of five highly-qualified individuals: Roberta Baer, Ann Bynum, Raymond Huhnke, Steve Shelton, and Cheryl Taylor. The board members reflect the diversity of the SW Center’s region and scope of work and we are looking forward to their contributions. Each of the board members will be featured individually in the following issues of Cultivation.

From the Director:

In September, the SW Center held its final board meeting for the second funding cycle at Camp Allen in Navasota, Texas. The serene landscape created the perfect atmosphere to relax and reflect on the past five years’ accomplishments. Fortunately, the center has been funded for the next cycle, and this meeting was also an opportunity to look forward and transition to the new projects.

Although all the projects for the next cycle are technically new, many are continuations or adaptations of previous work. The new projects depict a wide range of cultures, nationalities and understudied groups; including Vietnamese, Navajo, Hispanic, and children. Due to this common thread among the projects, the SW Center has adopted “Special Populations” as the theme and concentration for this cycle’s work.

The chart below details the projects for the next cycle.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Project Type</th>
<th>Project Title</th>
<th>Principal Investigator</th>
<th>Institution</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Research</td>
<td>Migrant Adolescent Health Research Study</td>
<td>Sharon Cooper, Ph.D.</td>
<td>Texas A&amp;M University</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Research</td>
<td>Innovative Approaches to Worker Health Protection Among Shrimp Fishermen of the Gulf Coast</td>
<td>Jeffrey Levin, M.D., M.S.P.H.</td>
<td>The University of Texas Health Center at Tyler</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Education</td>
<td>Model Farmers Dissemination Project</td>
<td>Deborah Heitler, Sc.D.</td>
<td>University of New Mexico</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Intervention</td>
<td>Promoviendo Farmworkers’ Safety</td>
<td>Roberta Ryder</td>
<td>National Center for Farmworker Health</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The chart below details the projects for the next cycle.

From the Director:

In September, the SW Center held its final board meeting for the second funding cycle at Camp Allen in Navasota, Texas. The serene landscape created the perfect atmosphere to relax and reflect on the past five years’ accomplishments. Fortunately, the center has been funded for the next cycle, and this meeting was also an opportunity to look forward and transition to the new projects.

Although all the projects for the next cycle are technically new, many are continuations or adaptations of previous work. The new projects depict a wide range of cultures, nationalities and understudied groups; including Vietnamese, Navajo, Hispanic, and children. Due to this common thread among the projects, the SW Center has adopted “Special Populations” as the theme and concentration for this cycle’s work.

The chart below details the projects for the next cycle.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Project Type</th>
<th>Project Title</th>
<th>Principal Investigator</th>
<th>Institution</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Research</td>
<td>Migrant Adolescent Health Research Study</td>
<td>Sharon Cooper, Ph.D.</td>
<td>Texas A&amp;M University</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Research</td>
<td>Innovative Approaches to Worker Health Protection Among Shrimp Fishermen of the Gulf Coast</td>
<td>Jeffrey Levin, M.D., M.S.P.H.</td>
<td>The University of Texas Health Center at Tyler</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Education</td>
<td>Model Farmers Dissemination Project</td>
<td>Deborah Heitler, Sc.D.</td>
<td>University of New Mexico</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Intervention</td>
<td>Promoviendo Farmworkers’ Safety</td>
<td>Roberta Ryder</td>
<td>National Center for Farmworker Health</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The chart below details the projects for the next cycle.
Four East Texas Tractor Safety Focus Groups Conducted During October, January; Data Collected for National Use

During October and January, the Southwest Ag Center conducted four tractor safety focus groups with farmers, ranchers, and industry representatives from East Texas. Many people throughout the area contributed their time and expertise to accomplish specific goals. Valuable information was collected and will be sent to Kentucky to be analyzed with other focus group results from across the nation.

Dr. Eva Doyle, an Associate Professor of the Health Education Department of Health, Human Performance and Recreation from Baylor University in Waco, served as the facilitator for all of the groups. Dr. Doyle has extensive experience with focus groups recruited from their community to promote farm safety. Chapters are currently contributing to their communities through farm safety day camps, school programs, exhibits, fairs, public service announcements, and media appearances. Chapter members represent a wide range of individuals and organizations across various disciplines.

The focus group protocol for the multi-state project includes four topic areas: photo interpretation, public service announcements, safety information resources, and perceptions of the National Agricultural Safety Initiative. Each of the groups convened over an evening or afternoon meal in Athens, Palestine, or Mount Pleasant to discuss these issues. The meetings lasted approximately 2½ hours, and there was an average of eight participants in each discussion. East Texas farmers, ranchers, and industry representatives were honest and forthcoming with opinions and recommendations for future tractor safety social marketing campaigns.

To request a program for your group or to suggest a new topic area, please call 903-877-5993 or email agcenter@uthct.edu.