



**National AgrAbility Project Regional Training Workshop-State College, PA**

***Days Inn Penn State  
240 South Pugh Street  
State College, PA 16801***

<b><u>Tuesday, October 8th</u></b>	8:00 am-8:30 am	<b>Registration</b>
	8:30 am-8:40 am	<b>Welcome-</b> Mayor Donald M. Hahn and Connie Baggett
	8:40 am -8:50 am	<b>AgrAbility Overview</b> - Tess McKeel and JoBeth Rath
	8:55 am-9:55 am	<p><b>Occupational Therapy – Discharge/Planning Process &amp; Checklist</b> – Marci Walborn OTR/L, Director of Childhood and Ancillary Services at UCP of Central PA and Non-profit Project Director for PA AgrAbility</p> <p>Discharge planning is a process that determines the kind of care an individual will need following time spent at a hospital, medical center, or other out-patient facility. These plans can help prevent future injury or readmissions, maintain safety and well-being of the individual, and help not only the individual but also his or her support team feel more at ease and comfortable with this transition back to the home and/or work.</p> <p>Individuals living on farms or rural properties and working in agriculture may have additional considerations to keep in the forefront during the discharge planning process. Occupational therapists may need to go above the standard protocol when considering energy, strength, balance, and mobility levels that could make farmers or agricultural workers more susceptible to injuries and readmissions.</p> <p>In this session, Marci will share more about the discharge planning process and best practices to consider, especially when an individual’s work or livelihood involves agriculture.</p>
	10:00 am-10:15 am	<b>Break</b>



	10:15 am-11:15 am	<p><b>Interpreting Evaluation Results To Identify Appropriate Farming Adaptive Equipment</b> - Dwight Heller OTR/L, CHT - UPMC Susquehanna and PA AgrAbility</p> <p>Occupational Therapy &amp; Physical Therapy Evaluations have been utilized to determine individualized functional performance levels with ADLs, IADLs, MRADLs. These assessments are then used to determine optimal treatment &amp; interventions. Functional capacity farm evaluations offer a unique intervention / treatment. This course benefits OTs and PTs who are new to the farming population / environment. This course will focus on various evaluation tools and applications: UEFI, LEFS, MMT, as well as Ambulation testing to uncover what farming adaptive equipment would be most suitable for optimizing the farmers independence, safety, efficiency, and productiveness.</p>
	11:20 am-12:20 pm	<p><b>Assistive Technology on the Farm</b> - Abbie Spackman – PA AgrAbility Case Coordinator and Project Assistant The Pennsylvania State University</p> <p>Assistive technology (AT) on the farm can be very unique and diverse. Learn about the types of AT and modifications that are commonly recommended by AgrAbility, participate in several hands-on demonstrations and learn about resources for locating and obtaining AT.</p>
	12:20 pm-1:20 pm	<p><b>Lunch &amp; Networking</b></p>
	1:20 pm-2:20 pm	<p><b>From the Farmer’s Mouth: Panel Discussion</b></p> <p>AgrAbility PA provides a critical service to Pennsylvania’s agricultural community. AgrAbility PA assists farmers and agricultural workers with a disability or long-term health condition by providing direct services and support needed to live independently and to continue working in or return to production agriculture.</p> <p>In this session, farmers from across the state in different types of agriculture will share their experience working with AgrAbility PA. Kendra Martin, digital media and outreach coordinator for AgrAbility PA, will serve as moderator.</p>
	2:25 pm-3:25 pm	<p><b>Funding Resources for Assistive Technology</b> – Tracy Beck - Operations Director   Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation</p> <p>The session will review assistive technology (AT) funding resources for farmers. This information is also useful for people with disabilities and seniors in the U.S. Highlighted will be Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation’s (PATF’s) new publication, Funding your Assistive Technology: A Guide to Funding Resources in Pennsylvania.</p>
	3:25 pm-3:40 pm	<p><b>Break</b></p>



	3:40 pm-4:40 pm	<p><b>Assistive Technology Resources</b> – Abbie Spackman –PA AgrAbility Case Coordinator and Project Assistant The Pennsylvania State University and Jackie Wardle, ATP- Database Manager, AgrAbility PA and Assistive Technology Program Manager at UCP Central PA.</p> <p>This part of the session will discuss various assistive technology programs and resources available for borrowing and obtaining equipment, with a focus on what is available in Pennsylvania.</p> <p><b>Resources for Farmers and Farm Families</b> – Abbie Spackman –PA AgrAbility Case Coordinator and Project Assistant The Pennsylvania State University</p> <p>Learn about additional resources commonly recommended by AgrAbility. This will include veteran specific resources, agricultural and business planning resources and more!</p>
	4:45 pm-5:00 pm	<b>Wrap up</b>
<u>Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup></u>	8:00 am -4:00 pm	<b>Tours</b>