

WORKSHOP 5 SPEAKERS



Kelsey Booth

Booth is a student at ECU in the Doctor of Nursing Practice - Family Nurse Practitioner program. Born and raised in Perquimans County, she obtained her bachelor's in nursing in 2016 from Appalachian State University and has worked as a registered nurse in a variety of settings. Booth has partnered with the North Carolina Agromedicine Institute for her DNP project and is in the final weeks of project implementation. The project focuses on using a virtual self-assessment to gauge farm stress or mental health related problems among this community.



LaMar Grafft

Grafft has served as the associate director for the North Carolina Agromedicine Institute since 2014. The institute provides educational programs and conducts research into the health and safety conditions for farmers, fishermen and foresters, as well as their families, in North Carolina. An Iowa native, Grafft earned his bachelor's in animal science from Iowa State University and his master's in animal nutrition from ISU. Grafft was awarded the 2020 Maynard Coe Professional Achievement Award from the International Society for Agricultural Safety and Health — the organization's most prestigious honor that recognizes outstanding contributions to the agricultural safety and health industry.



Beth Rodman

Rodman is the bureau chief for the Agricultural Safety and Health Bureau with the North Carolina Department of Labor. The bureau administers a broad scope of workplace safety and health laws that apply to North Carolina growers, conducts preoccupancy inspections under the Migrant Housing Act of North Carolina, and conducts agricultural occupational safety and health compliance inspections in response to workplace complaints, referrals and accidents.

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Sinan Sousan

Sousan is an assistant professor in the Department of Public Health and a research faculty at the North Carolina Agromedicine Institute. Sousan's previous research focused on environmental aerosol exposure and its impact on public health during his doctoral work. His postdoctoral research was focused on occupational exposure to airborne contaminants (aerosol and toxic gases) and physical hazards (noise) and their effects on workers' health. Sousan's current work at ECU continues in this direction to monitor personal, environmental, and occupational airborne exposures and their effects on public health and workers' health.



Bryant Spivey

Spivey is the county extension director North Carolina Cooperative Extension - Johnston County Center. He also has expertise in agriculture and field crops. The North Carolina Cooperative Extension is part of a partnership between N.C. State University and North Carolina A&T University that connects the universities to farmers and their families. Extension conducts research to better feed North Carolinians, improve their health, enrich youth, and strengthen the communities the extension serves.



Robin Tutor Marcom

Tutor Marcom has served as the director of the North Carolina Agromedicine Institute since 2007, overseeing the institute's administrative, programmatic and academic activities. She's a double graduate of ECU, earning her bachelor's in occupational therapy and master's in public health. She received her doctorate from N.C. State in agricultural and extension education. Her areas of expertise include community engagement and agricultural occupational health with special emphasis in recognition/management of farm stress and prevention of respiratory exposures.