

CONSENT FORM TO PARTICIPATE IN A RESEARCH STUDY

The University of South Dakota

TITLE: Skin Cancer, Sun Protection, and Self-Examination Education for Agricultural Workers: A Survey of Attendees of the Vermillion and Sioux Falls Farm Show

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Invitation to be Part of a Research Study:

You are invited to participate in a research study. In order to participate, you must be 18 years or older, English speaking, and work in agriculture or a related field. Being in this research project is voluntary. Please take time to read this entire form and ask questions before deciding whether to take part in this research project.

What is this study and why are we doing it?

The purpose of the study is to (1) raise awareness of the increased risk of skin cancer in agricultural workers; (2) explore skin cancer prevention practices study participants currently use; (3) educate agricultural workers on “best practice” skin cancer prevention strategies; and (4) emphasize the importance of using the ABCDE’s for self-examination. About 600 people will take part in this research.

What will happen if you take part in this study?

If you agree to take part in this study, you will be asked to complete a brief survey, read some educational materials about skin cancer, then take another short survey. Participating will only take about 15 minutes.

What risks might result from being in this study?

There are no risks to being in this study that are greater than your experiences in everyday life. If learning about skin cancer makes you concerned about any spots on your body, you should talk with your doctor.

What are the potential benefits from this study?

You might learn more about skin cancer risks, sun protection and other skin cancer prevention strategies.

How will we protect your information?

The records of this study will be kept confidential to the extent permitted by law. We will only collect anonymous data, so any report published with the results of this study will not include any information that could identify you. It is possible that other people may need to see the information we collect. These people work for the University of South Dakota Sanford School of Medicine Scholarship Pathways Program, and other agencies as required by law or allowed by federal regulations.

How will my information be used after the study?

After this study is complete, your anonymous data may be stored indefinitely in secure cloud storage and shared with other researchers through an open access repository. Your study data may be used for future research.

Your Participation in this Study is Voluntary

Even if you decide to be part of the study now, you may change your mind and stop at any time. You do not have to answer any questions you do not want to answer.

Contact Information for the Study Team and Questions about the Research

The researchers conducting this study are Leah Naasz and Candace Zeigler from the Sanford School of Medicine Scholarship Pathways Program. You may ask any questions you have now. If you later have questions, concerns, or complaints about the research please contact Candace Zeigler at candace.zeigler@usd.edu. If you have problems, complaints, or concerns about the research, questions regarding your rights as a research subject, or if you want to talk with someone independent of the research team, you may contact The University of South Dakota Office of Human Subjects Protection at irb@usd.edu or (605) 658-3743.

Your Consent

Before agreeing to be part of the research, please be sure that you understand what the study is about. Keep this copy of this document for your records. If you have any questions about the study later, you can contact the study team using the information provided above.

This question acknowledges that you consent to taking this survey and are (1) 18 years or older; (2) English-speaking; and (3) work in agriculture or a related field.

- ☐ I consent
- ☐ I do not consent

In order to link data from pre and post survey, what is the first four letters of your last name and last four of your social security number? For example:
Naas9999

What is your age?

What is your gender?

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Other

On average, how many hours per day do you spend working outdoors?

- ☐ 0-2 hours
- ☐ 3-5 hours
- ☐ 6-8 hours
- ☐ 9+ hours

How many months per year do you spend working outdoors?

- ☐ 0-2 months
- ☐ 3-5 months
- ☐ 6-8 months
- ☐ 8-12 months

Do you have a personal history of skin cancer? (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Basal Cell Carcinoma
- ☐ Squamous Cell Carcinoma
- ☐ Melanoma
- ☐ None of the above

Do you have a family history of skin cancer? (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Basal Cell Carcinoma
- ☐ Squamous Cell Carcinoma
- ☐ Melanoma
- ☐ None of the above

Do you currently perform any of the sun protection habits listed below? Check all that apply:

- ☐ Use of SPF 30+ Sunscreen
- ☐ Reapplying sunscreen every 2 hours
- ☐ Wide-brimmed hat
- ☐ UV protective clothing
- ☐ Seek shade between 10 am - 2 pm
- ☐ Self-examinations of skin
- ☐ Skin exams at the doctors office

Do you know the ABCDEs of melanoma?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Maybe
- ☐ No