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Going National

As you read in the November issue of AgriWellness Partners, AgriWellness has dedicated itself to serving as the *leading national voice* for individuals and organizations that respond to the behavioral health needs for farm people. AgriWellness and its partners offer the expertise, experience and resources acquired through the eleven years of the Sowing the Seeds of Hope (SSoH) program to the rest of the nation. We are excited about this venture and look forward to new ideas and learning as we expand our efforts to reach stressed farmers in all states in this country.

From someone who knows:

“Hopefully your services will reach many more in need through the years to come. Those who have been through it understand. And let me tell you, farmers are a tough breed to begin with, so when one reaches out for help...well, that says a lot!”

Annual Membership

One step is our new goal for AgriWellness to become a membership – based organization. The AgriWellness board has authorized and prepared several opportunities for interested persons and organizations to become annual members of this new association. AgriWellness believes that the timing is right, with this year bringing a confluence of factors including the national recognition of the importance of behavioral health of farm people (e.g. the NORA document), the inclusion of FRSAN in the Farm Bill, the success of the SSoH program and the interest in such behavioral health supports by officials in many other states.

An annual membership in AgriWellness will bring many benefits. AgriWellness and its partners can provide culturally appropriate trainings, evaluation and standardized data collection expertise and research to the rest of the country. Another exciting effort that AgriWellness is leading is the development of a textbook and curriculum that will be able to be used in medical schools and other arenas to educate health providers.

As part of the membership plan, this will be the final issue of AgriWellness Partners. Instead, AgriWellness will offer a monthly electronic newsletter, *The AgriWellness Voice*, to its members that will feature up-to-date research and news in the field of agricultural behavioral health.

For more information about membership we invite you to continue reading or visit our website: www.agriwellness.org where you may also purchase a membership securely through PayPal. You are welcome to contact AgriWellness with any questions: info@agriwellness.org.

AgriWellness, Inc. Annual Membership Benefits & Structure

Individual Annual Membership - \$75 (student rate - \$45)

- One membership in the AgriWellness national organization, which builds behavioral health supports for the agricultural population
- Subscription to *The AgriWellness Voice*, a monthly electronic newsletter available only to members, that will feature up-to-date research and news in the field
- Discount rate for one individual to attend the AgriWellness conference
- Representation in advocacy efforts at the national level
- Access to webinars and training programs at discounted rates

Organizational Annual Membership - \$350 (for organizations not included in the state affiliate membership)

- Up to three individuals in the organization become members in the AgriWellness national organization (one person is primary contact)
- Three individuals receive a subscription to *The AgriWellness Voice*, a monthly electronic newsletter available only to members, that will feature up-to-date research and news in the field
- Discount rate for three individuals to attend the AgriWellness conference
- Representation in advocacy efforts at the national level
- Free access to webinars and training programs for three individuals

State Affiliate Annual Membership - \$1,250

- Each state affiliate has one vote on AgriWellness actions but up to three individuals may serve on the national Board of Directors (one agency will be the lead contact)
- Up to three state coalition entities (for a total of ten individuals) may receive benefits: subscription to *The AgriWellness Voice*, conference, webinar and professional training discounts, advocacy in efforts at the national level
- Expected to follow standardized methods of reporting data regularly and will receive data summaries
- Consultation and technical assistance in the delivery of agricultural behavioral health services at discounted rate

From a provider:

“My participation in the [training] has increased my skills as a professional and has allowed me to effectively interact and serve a population of people that I previously could not have identified with or understood.”

To join AgriWellness please call 712-235-6100 or visit www.agriwellness.org