

ESRN Minutes



Equality State Research Network – Network Call

April 27, 2021

12:00 -1:00 pm

Attendance: WIND:5 | Network: 13

Introductions

All Network

ESRN Updates

Tai Baker

- Power of Rural Conference (May 17,18, 24,25)
 - ESRN program is purchasing tickets for all charter members
 - Special ESRN Priority Session: May 25 from 11:45-12:55

Pilot Project Updates/Presentations

- Local Farm & Food Solutions: Community-Led Research Providing Free CSA's to Enable SNAP and WIC Users to Improve Their Health and Food Security in Campbell County, WY
Megan Taylor, Edible Prairie Project
 - Produce to feed a family of 4 (SNAP and WIC) (three seasons)
 - Connect consumer with local farmers
 - Non-profit on both ends
 - Looked at impact of baskets on food insecurity
 - Improved food security and increase in vegetable intake
 - Sample size = 12 eligible families
 - Community involvement – started in 2019, grant in 2020
 - Participants provided input on to what they as families needed
 - Knife cutting sets
 - They liked participating and providing feedback since their input drives future work
 - Looking to make the baskets free instead of original \$10 charge
 - Created cost tiers
 - Half of baskets are offered free this year
- Wyoming's Community-Based Participatory Research Project: Does Assistive Technology Improve Healthcare Interactions between Community Pharmacists and Deaf/Hard of Hearing Patients?
Michelle Blakely
 - Objective – identify barriers for using assistive technology
 - Reached out to local Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals to create open ended questions
 - Mixed methods, cross sectional study
 - Questions sent out to Wyoming pharmacies

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- Pharmacists responded - use pen & paper when communicating with a person who is deaf or hard of hearing. Most seen by coming into pharmacy

Research Updates

Ethan Dahl, Workgroups

- Anyone interested in participating in the research workgroup email Ethan Dahl or Shelley Barth