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## National Farm Safety and Health Week, September 20-26

America's farmers and ranchers provide a healthy, safe, and abundant food supply for our country and for people around the world. During National Farm Safety and Health Week, September 20-26, 2009, the Agricultural Safety and Health Council of America (ASHCA) salutes our farmers and ranchers, and all workers in agriculture, as well as their families.

Earning a living in agriculture exposes workers to a unique environment. ASHCA takes this opportunity to raise awareness of the importance of practicing and promoting safe work habits and conditions.

"On behalf of our members we thank those who work in agriculture, and pledge to promote evidence-based practices and programs to help ensure safe, sustainable agriculture in America for generations to come," said William Nelson, ASHCA Chair.

ASHCA is a not-for-profit organization comprised of producers, businesses, government and safety professionals. On January 27-28, 2010, ASHCA and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health will co-host "Be Safe, Be Profitable: Protecting Workers in Agriculture," in Dallas/Fort Worth. The conference will share state-of-the-art science and intervention program experiences in eight topic areas. For more information, go to [www.ashca.com](http://www.ashca.com).