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ISASH CONTINUES SUPPORT OF NATIONAL FARM SAFETY & HEALTH WEEK

The International Society for Agricultural Safety and Health (ISASH) urges everyone involved in agriculture to recognize National Farm Safety and Health Week on September 16-22, 2018. This week serves as a great opportunity to reflect and revisit the importance of safety on farms or ranches, as well as adopt new and innovative practices to promote the awareness of safety solutions year round.

With a goal of protecting people in agriculture, the 2018 theme, "Cultivating the Seeds of Safety," defines ISASH, as our memberships brings together countless agricultural leaders throughout the world. Current ISASH members include engineers, educators, insurers, physicians, nurses, veterinarians, statisticians, communicators, business leaders and others with extensive farm backgrounds.



"Our members are a valuable and a great resource for the constant work to improve the health & safety for everyone working, living or visiting farms and other related businesses in rural areas," says Peter Lundqvist, ISASH President. Managing health & safety to create "the good work place" must be a high priority and a responsibility, but our organization is there to support, solve and develop the needs of our industry for the challenges of today and tomorrow."

Beginning in 1944, the third week of September has been recognized as National Farm Safety & Health Week. This recognition has been an annual promotion first initiated by the National Safety Council and has been proclaimed as such by each sitting U.S. President since Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the first document. This year, National Farm Safety and Health Week celebrates its 75th year milestone and will dedicate each weekday to relevant topics facing agriculture. 2018 topics include:

- ➤ Monday Rural Roadway Safety
- > Tuesday Health/Suicide/Opioids
- ➤ Wednesday Children & Youth Health and Safety
- > Thursday Confined Spaces in Agriculture
- **Friday** Tractor Safety

ISASH extends a special thank you to the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety for their continued support and advocacy of farm safety and health practices. For more information on National Farm Safety and Health Week and safety resources, please visit the website of the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety necas.org.

As an organization dedicated to the professional development of agricultural safety and health professionals, that provide national and international leadership in preventing agricultural injuries and illnesses to the agricultural community, ISASH offers opportunities for sharing information about research and intervention programs, improving professional skills and knowledge, networking and other support activities. Learn more about the International Society for Agricultural Safety and Health by visiting our website isash.org, liking our Facebook page facebook.com/ISASH, and following us on Twitter @real_isash.

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