# **Conference Information**

Who: OT, COTA, PT, PTA, Extension,

**VR Professionals** 

What: 1.5 CEUs=15 PDUs=15 contact

hours approved through Colorado

**State University and AOTA** 

Cost: \$175 registration fee for

professionals and \$75 fee for

students

When: Friday July 9 9:00AM- 5:00 PM

Saturday July 10 8:00AM- 5:00PM

Where: Colorado State University's

**ARDEC** facility: 4616 NE Frontage

Road Ft. Collins, CO 80524

How to Register: Return form and make

payment to:

Colorado AgrAbility 6850 Federal Blvd. **Denver. CO 80221** Fax: 303-650-7749

For information or questions contact: Jill Sump 303-385-7636 or email at jsump@goodwilldenver.org

**Cancellation Policy:** In the event that the workshop is cancelled, participants will be notified 48 hours before the event and a full refund of the registration fee will be issued to the participants. In the event a participant cancels his/her registration, a full registration refund will be issued if notification has been received one week prior to the event. If less than one week notification is provided no registration fees will be refunded. Additionally, no

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# **Course Objectives**

- To recognize the cultural influences and stressors on farm life
- To understand the temporal, physical, and psychological aspects of farm work and the farm environment
- To understand the financial, physical and psychological impact of disability on farm life
- To accurately assess the farmer through interviews, observations and clinical measurements
- To identify, initiate and adjust treatment methods to facilitate increased functioning related to work demands

# What is AgrAbility?

Colorado AgrAbility is a partnership between Colorado State University **Extension and Goodwill Industries of** Denver to promote independence in agriculture for Colorado's farmers, ranchers, and families impacted by disability issues.

We provide on-the-farm assessment services; education and information on assistive technologies, work and equipment modifications; and evaluate accessibility at home and workplace.









# Rehabilitating the Colorado Farmer & Rancher

July 9-10, 2010 Fort Collins, CO 1.5 CEUs=15 contact hours \$175 registration fee for professionals \$75 registration fee for students



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# Did you know when you discharge a farmer home, you are sending them to an industrial worksite?

Agriculture in Colorado is a multi-million dollar industry, but also one of the leading causes of occupational injury and illness. Occupational therapists and physical therapists play an important role in preparing farmers and ranchers to return home after they have sustained an injury or acquired a disability.

When home also includes the workplace, special considerations are needed to ensure a safe transition. This workshop will help health professionals, extension and vocational rehabilitation professionals become more culturally and clinically competent providers of care for the agricultural population.

The conference will be held at Colorado State University's Agricultural Research Development and Educational Center (ARDEC), providing attendees with both time in the classroom and the exposure to a working farm and ranch to learn practical interventions to promote the independence of farm and ranch family members affected by disabilities.



#### **Agenda**

## Friday July 9, 2010 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

- Welcome, Introductions, and Pre-Evaluations
- Colorado AgrAbility Overview
- Farm Culture
- Introduction to Agriculture: Terms, Tasks, Seasons
- Farm Environments and Tasks
- Livestock Handling
- Case Study

### Saturday July 10, 2010 8:00 AM-5:00 PM

- Farm/Ranch Operations and Equipment Tour
- Farm Site Assessment, Accessibility and Assistive Technology
- Colorado Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
- Resources
- Capstone: Case Studies Session
- Case Studies Group Reports

#### **Presenters**

**Bob Fetsch,** PhD., Extension Specialist Dr. Fetsch is a researcher, lecturer, and principal investigator of the Colorado AgrAbility Project.

#### Carla Wilhite, OTD, OTR/L

Ms. Wilhite has worked extensively in agricultural health and rehabilitation. She is an assistant professor at University of North Dakota-Casper College OT Department.

# Jill Sump, MSOT, OTR/L

Ms. Sump was raised on a farm and now uses her OT skills to assist agriculture producers as Colorado AgrAbility Project Manager.

#### Vince Luke

Mr. Luke works as the case manager for Colorado AgrAbility Project. His work and educational background encompasses health promotion and work with adults who have developmental disabilities.

#### **Directions to ARDEC**

- From the intersection of Mulberry St. (HWY 14) and I-25
- Drive north on I-25 to Exit 271 (Mountain Vista Drive)
- Proceed east to the East Frontage Road
- Turn left onto East Frontage Road
- Travel 3 miles north to County Rd. 56
- Turn right on County Rd. 56
- Turn left into Building #4053
- Workshop is held in the classroom



#### **Professional Feedback**

"Craig Hospital truly appreciates the services of the Colorado AgrAbility Project. Our farm families have concerns in regard to how they'll get around the farm or operate their farm equipment once they get back home. The knowledge AgrAbility provides to our patients enables them to regain the confidence that they can return to productive farming and, above all, do it safely. I have seen the smiles on our patients' faces when they realize that with the aid of Colorado AgrAbility they can return to the lifestyle they love." - Joe Gomez, Therapeutic Recreation Department Director, Craig Hospital

"I found the training to be the best I have received regarding using personal and practical examples that are highly relevant and easy to understand and apply. The materials I received and the "hands on" experiences will assist me when working with the farmer/rancher in the future. I have recommended all staff in my region to attend the training in the future." - Candiss Leathers, M.A., Regional Program Supervisor II North and North East Colorado DVR

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