

Engaging Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers in Healthcare Research

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Learning Objectives

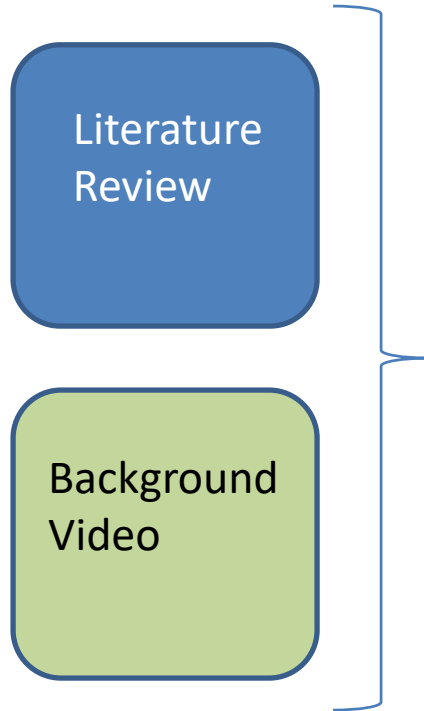
- Identify at least two facilitators and motivators reported by MSAWs as they seek healthcare
- Name a category that MSAWs report as being important for providers to have more information
- Recall at least two resources available for identifying priority topics or needs related to health needs of MSAWs



Setting the Stage

Overview

Supporting Information



Key Partners

Together, KU and Migrant Farmworkers Assistance Fund guided the work with the support and input of many key partners, including the following groups/organizations:

- Farmworker Justice
- Health Care Collaborative of Rural Missouri
- Juntos Center for Advancing Latino Health
- Kansas Statewide Farmworker Health Program
- Lafayette County Health Department
- Migrant Clinicians Network
- Migratory & Seasonal Agricultural Workers
- National Center for Farmworker Health
- REACH Healthcare Foundation
- Rodgers Health
- Treetop Productions
- University of Kansas Center for Migration Research
- University of Kansas Center for the Study of Injustice



Connecting with the Workers

Facilitators for Health

- Affordable care
- Accessible care (location and hours)
- Trusted and welcoming providers
“You have to really trust them.”
- Bilingual provider or in-person interpretation
- Information about health and health care

Health Motivators

- Ability to work
“If you aren’t healthy, you can’t work.”
- Severity of injury/illness – wait until it cannot be ignored any longer.
- Family – “I go to the doctor for my daughters.”

In Their Own Words



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kTBPfK0F-xM&feature=youtu.be>

Research Agenda

Based on information collected in 2017 and 2018 from:

- migratory and seasonal agricultural workers (MSAWs) through an oral survey
- providers, and other key stakeholders (such as administrators) through a written survey

Highlights - MSAWs

Methods

Through an oral survey, migratory and seasonal agricultural workers in two Midwestern states were shown categories in eight themes.

For each theme, they were asked to select the topic they felt was most important for doctors to have more information and then the second most important.

The items displayed to the right were most frequently selected as one of the top two topics within its theme.

Results based on 102 respondents.

Infographic also available in Spanish.

Topics Farmworkers Say Doctors Need to Understand to Better Serve Them



For more information, please see http://socwel.ku.edu/health/migrant_farmworkers_2018, email Cheryl Holmes at holmes70@ku.edu, or call Migrant Farmworkers Assistance Fund at 816.968.2227
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Highlights - Providers

Methods

Through a written survey, direct service providers and other key stakeholders were shown various items in four sections.

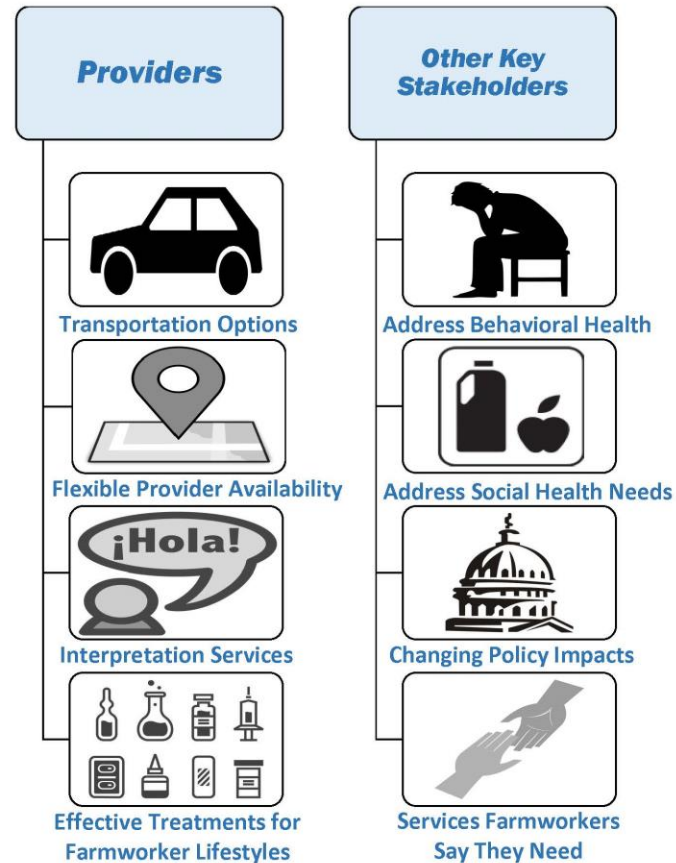
For each item, they were asked to indicate how important it was to have more information or research.

The items displayed to the right were the ones most frequently selected as critically important.

Results were based on 36 direct service providers and 30 other key stakeholder respondents, coming from 11 states, large region or national/international perspective.

Infographic also available in Spanish.

Topics Providers and Other Key Stakeholders Say They Need to Better Serve Farmworkers



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Resources

Available Online

[http://socwel.ku.edu/health/migrant farmworkers](http://socwel.ku.edu/health/migrant_farmworkers)

- Literature Review
- Research Agenda including results from MSAW oral surveys
- Provider/Key Stakeholder Survey Results
- YouTube Video

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