



- 4:00PM **Networking and open Q&A with NIFA Program Leaders** *Crocoll, Samuel, Chipman*
- Special opportunity to meet with *Keith Tidball*, former NIFA Visiting Scholar, Cornell University Regarding Military Family Capacity Building Efforts**
- 4:30PM **ADJOURN**
- 5:30PM **States' Night Out**
- 8:30-9:30PM **FCS Program Leaders Reception** *(by invitation only)* [NEAFCS President's Suite](#)

**Thursday, September 15, 2016**

- 8:00AM- 12:00PM **NEAFCS Registration Open** [Upper Atrium-Yellowstone Conference Center](#)
- 8:00AM **FCS Program Leaders Meeting - Day 2** *(breakfast included)* [Huntley Dining Room](#)
- 8:30AM **Health Partnership Opportunities:** Updates on the Board on Ag Assembly-Board on Human Sciences, Healthy Food Systems, Healthy People Initiative, the ECOP Health Action Teams, and opportunities to engage with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Partnership with Cooperative Extension to build a culture of health. *Linda Kirk Fox*
- 9:30AM **Health in all Policies Education ECOP Team:** Update from the ECOP-Experiment Station Committee on Organization & Policy (ESCOP) Health Implementation Team, focusing on the convergence of health in all policies that shape the social, economic, and environmental contexts in which people live, work, play, and visit; and to forge this convergence into a prevention strategy to improve population health outcomes. *Roberta Riportella, Suzanne Stluka, and Laura Stephenson*
- 10:00AM **BREAK**
- 10:15AM **Health in Focus Panel-Regional Perspectives and Programs**  
Moderator *Beverly Samuel*
- **“Step It Up”** *Kathleen Morgan* (Northeast)
  - **Communities Preventing Childhood Obesity** *Paula Peters* (North Central)
  - **U Connect** *Leslie Speller-Henderson* (Southern Region)
  - **Chronic Disease Prevention and Management** *Esther Devall* (Western)
- 12:00PM **2017 Meeting Announcement-Omaha, NE** *Beverly Samuel*  
**LUNCH** *(lunch included)*
- 1:00PM **Adjourn to Regional Meetings** [Huntley Dining Room is available until 3:00PM](#)
- 5:30-6:30PM **NEAFCS Awards Reception** [Upper Atrium-Yellowstone Conference Center](#)
- 6:30PM **NEAFCS Awards Ceremony** [Missouri Ballroom](#)
- NEAFCS Awards Dinners** *(by Region and only included with full NEAFCS Conference Registration, or purchase of a dinner ticket)* [Room locations will be announced at the Awards Ceremony.](#)
- Dinner - Southern Region**
  - Dinner - Central Region**
  - Dinner - Eastern Region**
  - Dinner-Western Region**

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## Speaker Brief Bios

**Caroline Crocoll** is the Director of the Division of Family & Consumer Sciences at USDA NIFA, and is responsible for providing national leadership for critical tasks involving human and community sciences, program development and collaboration; identifying mission-relevant issues requiring Federal attention and support; conceiving and executing programs to respond to existing or emerging opportunities, priorities, and issues; and evaluating the science and impacts of these programs. Caroline also chairs the Alliance for Family & Consumer Sciences.

**Beverly Samuel** is the lead for the Division of Family & Consumer Sciences Family Well-Being Team at USDA NIFA, and executes national leadership for Housing and Environmental Health to the research, extension, and education functions. She provides leadership for programs that contribute to the quality of living through sustainable housing initiatives that support healthy and safe housing; energy efficiency; disaster preparedness, response and recovery; and community living and engagement. She is the NIFA Liaison to the Extension Disaster Education Network.

**Carolyn Jackson** served the American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences first as the transitional executive director charged with providing executive leadership for repositioning the Association for the next 100 years following the centennial celebration, then as the executive director, and currently as the chief executive officer and managing director of the Alliance for Family & Consumer Sciences.

**Ann Vail** is the Director of the School of Human Environmental Sciences and Assistant Director of Family & Consumer Sciences Extension at the University of Kentucky. She is PI for the Child Poverty Nutrition Center and Director of the National Coordination Center for the Regional Nutrition Education Centers of Excellence. This year, she is serving as Interim Dean for the College of Social Work.

**Esther Devall** is the Department Head for Family & Consumer Sciences and Extension Family & Consumer Sciences at New Mexico State University. She was a faculty member in the family and child science major at NMSU for 19 years before becoming department head 6 years ago. She is president-elect for the Council of Administrators of Family & Consumer Sciences.

**Helen Chipman** is the USDA NIFA Division of Nutrition National Program Leader for the Food and Nutrition Education for low-income populations. She provides national leadership for the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP), the Regional Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Centers of Excellence (RNECE), and acts as a liaison among Land-Grant Universities and the Food and Nutrition Service for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education.

**Keith Tidball** is a Senior Extension Associate in the Department of Natural Resources at Cornell where he serves as the leader of a suite of projects dealing with veterans and military families. He also serves as the Director of the New York State Extension Disaster Education Network. In these positions he helps people leverage natural resources to organize, learn, and act in ways that increase their capacity to withstand, and where appropriate to grow from, environmental change and uncertainty.

**Linda Kirk Fox** is the Dean of the College of Family & Consumer Sciences at the University of Georgia. She currently serves on the Board of Human Sciences (BOHS), Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU). She was appointed in September 2014 to the Board of Agriculture Assembly and Board on Human Sciences National Steering Committee for "Healthy Food Systems: Healthy People" and serves on the Core Leadership Team for the Robert Wood Johnson CES Creating a Culture of Health. Dr. Fox has received the USDA Secretary of Agriculture "Honor Award" for her work in financial literacy education. In 2010, she was named a USDA "Hero" for national leadership of the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP) Task Force.

**Roberta Riportella** is the Associate Dean for Outreach and Engagement, College of Public Health and Human Sciences and the Program Leader for Family and Community Health at Oregon State University. She was previously the Kansas Health Foundation Professor of Community Health in the School of Family Studies and Human Services, College of Human Ecology, Kansas State University and K-State Research and Extension, and is also Professor Emerita, University of Wisconsin-Madison. Professor Riportella has spent over 30 years analyzing and teaching health policy. She has specific interest in the differences in access to care and health outcomes based on social standing. She is currently working nationally with Extension's ECOP Health and Wellness team on Health in all Policies Education, crafting a vision for Extension's work to improve health in communities.

**Suzanne Stluka** is the Food & Families Program Director for South Dakota State University Extension. She provides leadership to the Food & Families Capstone Field Specialists in the areas of Aging, Family Resource Management, Food Safety, Physical Activity, and Nutrition. Suzanne also provides leadership to the Expanded Food & Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education (SNAP-Ed). These programs provide health and wellness education to limited resource audiences across South Dakota. Her research interests are in the area of food security, food access, and nutrition education, primarily focusing on for Native American audiences.

**Laura Stephenson** is the Assistant Dean for Family & Consumer Sciences in the Institute of Agriculture at the University of Tennessee Extension. She heads the Family & Consumer Sciences Unit, which includes agents in all 95 counties in Tennessee. UT Extension FCS includes professional specialists and agents who work in such areas as health, housing, parenting, money management and nutrition.

**Kathleen Morgan** is the Chair of the Department of Family and Community Health Sciences at Rutgers Cooperative Extension. She has been with Rutgers Cooperative Extension/Rutgers University since 1993. Her undergraduate degrees are from Rutgers University and her doctorate from Drew University. She has served as Principal Investigator on several grants related to nutrition, child obesity, osteoporosis, worksite wellness, and most recently two USDA Team Nutrition grants.

**Paula Peters** is Associate Professor and Assistant Director of Family & Consumer Sciences at Kansas State University Research and Extension, and the Kansas SNAP-Ed Program Director. She provides leadership and coordination for the conceptualization and implementation of Family & Consumer Sciences programming across Kansas. This includes addressing issues related to food, nutrition and health; family and child development; family resource management; and aging.

**Leslie Speller-Henderson** is an Extension Assistant Professor in the Department of Family & Consumer Sciences/ College of Agriculture, Human and Natural Sciences at Tennessee State University. Her areas of interest include nutrition labeling, food choices of limited resource individuals, food safety knowledge, and her teaching includes courses in nutrition, elementary nutrition, basic nutrition, food principles and meal management, and principles of nutrition and application in menu planning.

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