## Succession/Transition Planning Workshop

## Target Audience:

Farm business owners and family members who desire to have a succession transition plan for their farm.

Solidify what you'd like to see happen to your farm while evaluating financial feasibility, legal considerations and labor and management concerns.

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9:15 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

York, PA

York County 4-H Center 771 Stoverstown Rd, York, PA

Workshop topics covered:

- ⇒ Succession/transition from a legal perspective.
- ⇒ Estate planning and necessary documents.
- ⇒ Farm family communication, dynamics & challenges.
- ⇒ Family meeting guidelines.
- ⇒ Generational challenge strategies.

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All participants will receive a free copy of: "Planning the Future of Your Farm" Pennsylvania edition, a \$10.60 value.

PA Farm Link IFTN Certified Succession Coordinators available to facilitate farm family meetings free of charge for workshop participants.



Registration Fee: \$15 per person OR \$11 per person if 2 or more from same farm/business

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For more information—(717)705-2121 or mgrove@pafarmlink.org

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## **Speaker Bios**

Attorney Jennifer Denchak Wetzel - Jennifer is dedicated to serving the legal needs of Pennsylvania's farm and agri-business community. For the past ten years, she has worked with all types of agricultural businesses across the state, advising them on a broad spectrum of legal issues.

She is recognized for her in-depth knowledge of business succession planning, real estate and asset preservation within the agricultural law context. She has given presentations on these topics for the Pennsylvania Farm Bureau, Pennsylvania Bar Institute and Pennsylvania Farm Link.

She is a licensed title insurance agent and is a Succession Coordinator for the International Farm Transition Network and the Pennsylvania Center for Dairy Excellence. Previously, she served as the Vice-Chairman of the Agricultural Law Committee of the Pennsylvania Bar Association.

Jennifer graduated cum laude from the Pennsylvania State University - Dickinson School of Law and summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Bucknell University. While attending Dickinson, she was a member of the Penn State Law Review, the Appellate Moot Court Board, and the Woolsack Honor Society.

A native of Schuylkill County, Jennifer lives with her husband and two daughters in Perry County, where she is an active member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Liverpool.

Mr. Jared Grissinger—Jared currently oversees the PAgrows, Risk Management programs and the organic cost share program. The PAgrows program provides the agriculture community with technical expertise on farm loans and grants, along with business planning and transition assistance. Jared is an IFTN Certified Farm Succession Coordinator. He represents the Department in emergency management as an Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer and as a member of the State's Type 3 Incident Management Team.

He attended Penn State University, is married with two children and lives in Lebanon County.

Mrs. Darlene Livingston—Darlene oversees PA Farm Link and links farmers to the future through beginning farmer and succession/transition planning workshops, online beginning farmer and landowner databases as well as farm succession facilitation program.

Darlene is an IFTN Certified Farm Succession Coordinator and serves as a Board of Director of International Farm Transition Network and Pennsylvania Livestock Association.

Darlene, along with her siblings and father, worked through the transition of the family farm to she and her husband, Bob, in 2014. Owner/operators of Mahoning Creek Farm a 160 acre diversified livestock and grain farm in Indiana County, PA. Bob and Darlene seek to include the 5th generation in farm decisions and encourage their remote participation while they finish school and pursue careers. They recently began marketing MCF beef, pork, and lamb to local consumers