## GAPs for Small Farms: Dispelling Myths, Getting the Facts, Designing a Food Safety Plan

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As food safety regulations continue to evolve, the need for farmers to be proactive about farm food safety issues is growing. NOFA-NY and Cornell Cooperative Extension are pleased to announce a great opportunity for farmers to learn more about the Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) and develop a personalized farm food safety plan. Join Betsy Bihn (National GAPs Program, CCE), Robert Hadad (Cornell Vegetable Team), and Craig Kahlke (Cornell Lake Ontario Fruit Program) where they will cover a full schedule:

- Day 1: An in-depth look at GAPs. How and where microbial contamination can occur, how to use the GAPs standards to write a farm produce safety plan, and what is involved in a GAPs audit. Several NYSDAM representatives will be on hand to describe the GAPs audit procedure and answer questions.
- Day2: The Farm Produce Safety Plan. The extension educators will help you write your own farm produce safety plan. NYSDAM representatives will be available to answer questions as well. You will need to bring a laptop with Microsoft Word. If you do not have a laptop, please let us know when you register! We have a limited number available for you to borrow.

## Registration

Registration fee is \$80 for NOFA-NY Members, and \$100 for Non-Members. The cost of registration includes lunch, snacks, and refreshments, as well as a packet of food safety reference materials and digital files of food safety resources. If you would like to bring along a more computer-savvy employee of your farm on Day 2, the cost is only \$20 for this additional person to cover the cost of food.

Register online at **www.nofany.org/events/field-days** or register over the phone by calling our office: (585) 271-1979, ext. 512. For more information, please visit our website or call the office.











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