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Elizabeth Kiss, Ph.D.

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Dr. Kiss is a family resource management specialist. Her focus is the financial capability of Kansans as they seek to achieve financial well-being. Topic areas include youth and adult financial education related to:

- Earning – understanding pay and benefits
- Saving – saving and investing; planning for long-term goals such as home ownership, retirement or a child's education
- Spending – developing spending plans; tracking spending and saving
- Borrowing – understanding borrowing, credit reports, and credit scores
- Protecting against risk – choosing appropriate insurance, emergency funds, protecting against identity theft, avoiding frauds and scams, and preparing for natural disasters and other emergencies



Elaine Johannes, Ph.D.

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Adolescent health

Dr. Johannes, a Kansas native, is the Kansas Health Foundation Distinguished Professor in Community Health for K-State Research and Extension, and is a state Extension Specialist in Youth and Family Development. Her content expertise includes:

- Health equity and well-being
 - Collaboration and network development to address health disparities
 - Community vitality and engagement
 - Stress and resilience
 - Families in poverty
 - Adolescent health and youth development
 - Community Health Worker education and workforce development
- Johannes teaches Grant Development and Management, and Rural and Community Health course



Bradford Wiles, Ph.D.

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- Early Childhood Cognitive and Social-Emotional Development
- Applied Developmental Research Across the Lifespan
- Building Resilience in Vulnerable Families Through Mentoring
- Parent-Child Interaction in Military Families, Low-Income Families and Rural Families
- Early Childhood Education Including Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Child Care Setting
- Mixed Research Methods, Including Advance Statistical Analyses
- Program Planning and Education



Erin Yelland, Ph.D.

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Dr. Yelland is the adult development and aging specialist and focuses her work on health and wellness across the lifespan. She currently serves as an Associate Editor for the Journal of Extension and is the Interim Director of the Center on Aging at K-State. She has expertise in:

- Community health and wellness
- The social determinants of health
- Policy, systems, and environmental changes
- Healthy living across the lifespan to promote optimal aging
- Alzheimer's disease and prevention
- Aging and disability simulations
- Sexual health and wellness in adulthood



Bradley Dirks

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Behavioral Health Specialist

- Availability for consult/advice/information regarding mental health questions or concerns
- In person support/participation (as available) for local mental health initiatives/programs
- Information regarding behavioral health issues/concerns placed on the KSRE web site
- Support/communication with local county/district boards regarding mental health programming

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- Maternal Nutrition
- Infant And Young Child Nutrition
- Nutrition Education For Limited Resource Audiences
- Food Security and Hunger



Londa Nwadike, Ph.D.

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- Consumer Food Safety
- Local Foods
- Farmers' Markets
- Produce Safety



Karen Blakeslee

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Extension Associate - Rapid Response Center, Co-Director - Kansas Value Added Foods Lab

- Food Safety
- Master Food Volunteer
- Food Preservation
- Food Science

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Kansas SNAP-ED Specialists



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- SNAP-Ed/EFNEP- Nutrition education and Policy, Systems, and Environmental strategies for limited resource audiences



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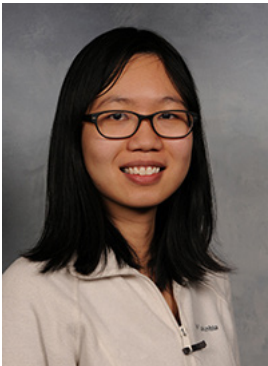
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Regional FCS Specialist, Northwest

- Provides subject matter support to regional FCS agents
- Subject matter expertise in: Gerontology, Nutrition & Dietetics
- Statewide Programming: Powerful Tools for Caregivers



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Regional FCS Specialist, Northeast

- Provides subject matter support to regional FCS agents
- Subject matter expertise in: Physical Activity, Health
- Statewide Programming: Walk Kansas, Stay Strong Stay Healthy, KSRE Staff Only CPR Training/Certification



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- Provides subject matter support to regional FCS agents
- Subject matter expertise in: Nutrition & Dietetics, Food Safety
- Statewide Programming: Dining with Diabetes, Stay Strong Stay Healthy, ServSafe



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Regional FCS Specialist, Southwest

- Provides subject matter support to regional FCS agents
- Subject matter expertise in: Family Resource Management, Family Life Education
- Statewide Programming: SHICK