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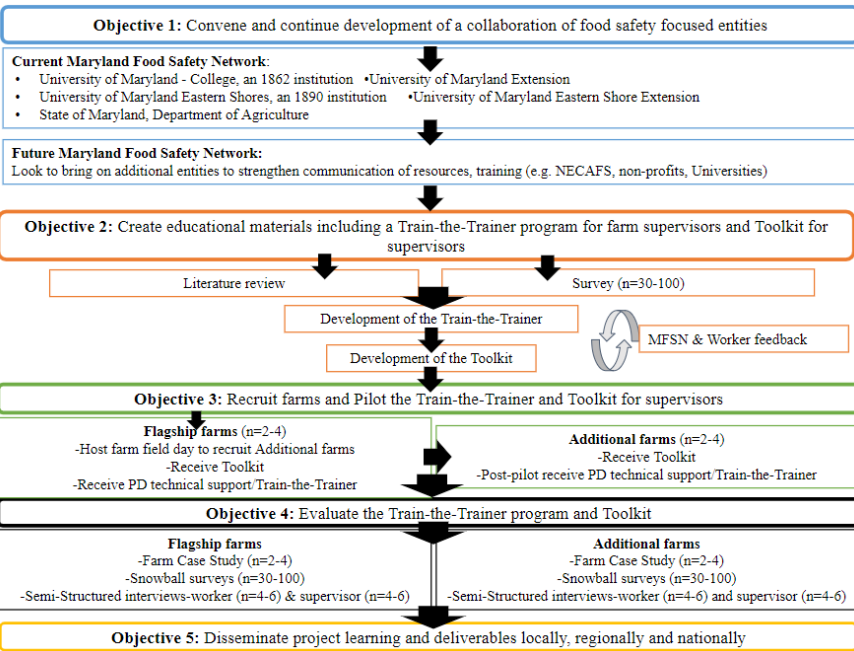
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Problem Statement / Issue Definition: This project aims to provide small and medium sized farms that grow, harvest, pack and hold covered produce with targeted training and tools to enhance and sustain an operational culture that champions food safety while supporting workers to provide Americans access to a safe, nutritious and secure food supply.

Approach / Methods:

Results / Outcomes:

- Literature review completed
- IRB for the worker/owner-supervisor survey
- Identify a Model Network and build Maryland’s Food Safety Network
- Increase study awareness for survey participant recruitment



Objective 1: Convene and continue development of a collaboration of food safety focused entities

Current Maryland Food Safety Network:

- University of Maryland - College, an 1862 institution
- University of Maryland Extension
- University of Maryland Eastern Shores, an 1890 institution
- University of Maryland Eastern Shore Extension
- State of Maryland, Department of Agriculture

Future Maryland Food Safety Network:

Look to bring on additional entities to strengthen communication of resources, training (e.g. NECAFS, non-profits, Universities)

Objective 2: Create educational materials including a Train-the-Trainer program for farm supervisors and Toolkit for supervisors

Literature review

Survey (n=30-100)

Development of the Train-the-Trainer

Development of the Toolkit



MFSN & Worker feedback

Objective 3: Recruit farms and Pilot the Train-the-Trainer and Toolkit for supervisors

Flagship farms (n=2-4)

- Host farm field day to recruit Additional farms
- Receive Toolkit
- Receive PD technical support/Train-the-Trainer

Additional farms (n=2-4)

- Receive Toolkit
- Post-pilot receive PD technical support/Train-the-Trainer

Objective 4: Evaluate the Train-the-Trainer program and Toolkit

Flagship farms

- Farm Case Study (n=2-4)
- Snowball surveys (n=30-100)
- Semi-Structured interviews-worker (n=4-6) & supervisor (n=4-6)

Additional farms

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Objective 5: Disseminate project learning and deliverables locally, regionally and nationally

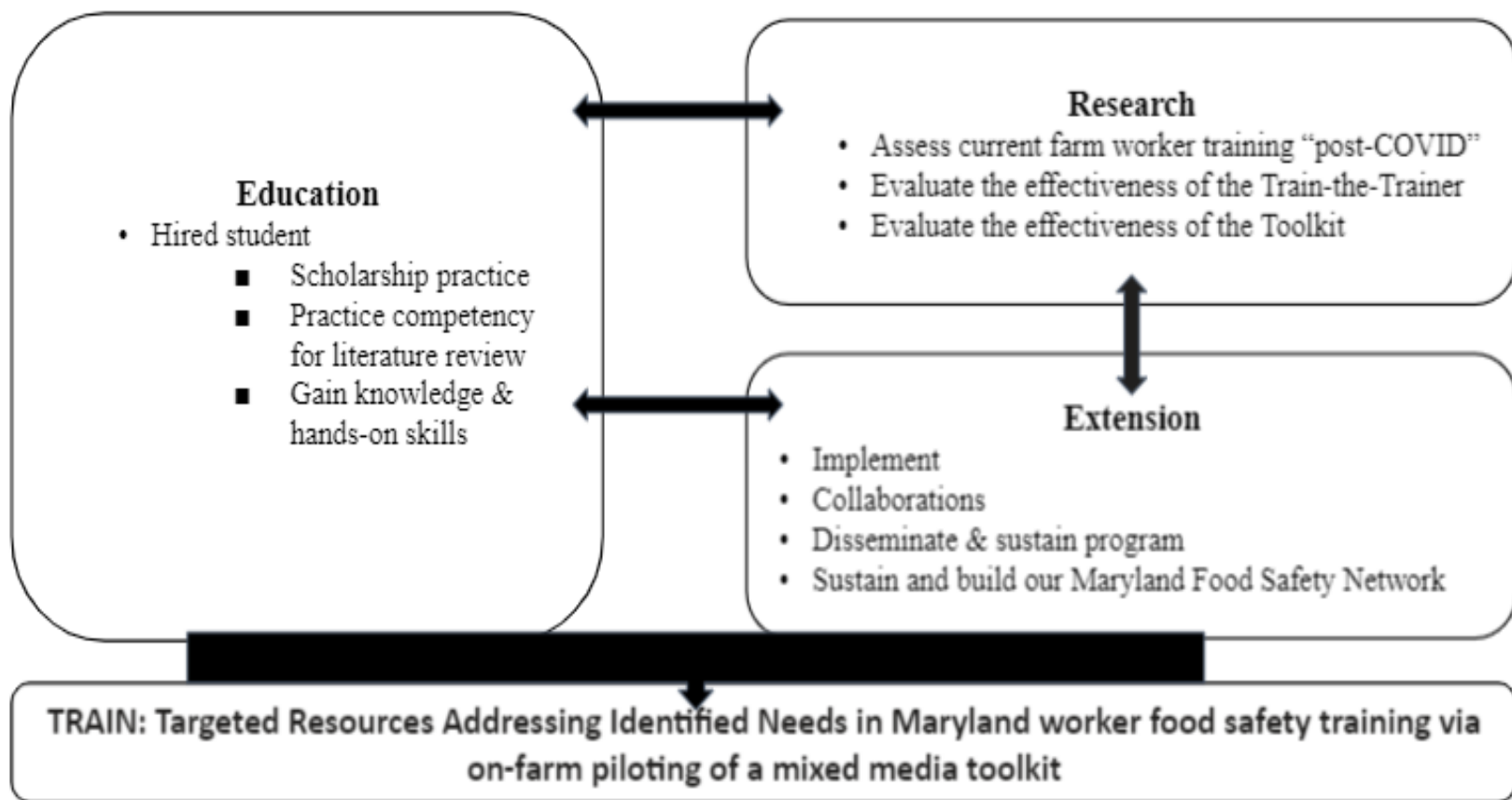


Figure 1. Integration of extension, outreach and education to address FSMA-PSR worker training among small and medium size farms in Maryland