

National Association of State Departments of Agriculture



Subject of Policy Amendment 10:

Mental Health

Section Number or Title to be Amended:

New Section 15.8

Submitted by:

Secretary Hunter Roberts, South Dakota and Commissioner Thom Petersen, Minnesota

Text of Policy Amendment:

1. NASDA supports strong funding for mental health programs and research that targets farmers and ranchers.
2. NASDA urges the USDA and NIFA to make long term grant funding available exclusively to state departments of agriculture to combat farm stress. Specifically, NASDA encourages CONGRESS to fund additional noncompetitive grants supporting Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network (FRSAN) State Department of Agriculture projects.

Adopted: September 29, 2022