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# WESTERN REGIONAL CENTER (WRCEFS): 2019/20 UPDATE

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Oregon State  
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# WRCEFS Coordinator – Stephanie Brown

- Started- September 2019
- Help coordinate all things WRCEFS
  1. Communications- social media, website, newsletters
  2. Tracking PSA and PCQI trainings
  3. Add-on peer review development

<https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/wrcefs>



The screenshot shows the website for the Western Regional Center to Enhance Food Safety (WRCEFS) at Oregon State University. The page features a navigation menu with links for ABOUT US, COVID-19 RESOURCES, NATIONAL/REGIONAL CENTERS, OUTREACH & TRAINING, PARTNERS, and PEOPLE. A prominent image of a COVID-19 virus particle is displayed, along with a section titled "COVID-19 Resources" which provides information and fact sheets about COVID-19 in relation to different food operations, including farms, gardens, fresh produce, food banks, foodservice, grocery stores, and home/community. The page also includes a thank you message to colleagues at North Carolina State University Extension and a link to Spanish translations of the resources.

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<https://twitter.com/wrcefs>

<https://www.instagram.com/wrcefs/>

# Proposed add-on peer review process

*Add-ons are material(s) in addition to the standardized curricula that are developed and delivered pre-course, during a course, or post-course as a standalone.*



**Peer Review Request**



**Quality Check**



**Peer Review**

Estimated time of review process ~5-6 weeks

## Draft Add-on Peer Review Process Framework

### PEER REVIEW REQUEST

**Submitter**

*Prepares and uploads all content for review into the FSR Clearinghouse.*

Does this content qualify as an add-on?

*Add-ons are material(s) in addition to the standardized curricula that are developed and delivered pre-course, during a course, or post-course as a standalone.*

No

Yes

**Stop!**  
Do not fill out Peer Review Request (PRR) form. Continue with normal submission.

Fill out Peer Review Request (PRR) form.

### QUALITY CHECK

**Editor(s) (WRCEFS)**

*Uses the Peer Review Checklist (PRC) form to review PRR for completeness; Estimated time: 1 week.*

Is PRR form complete?

No

Yes

Send back to submitter with copy of Peer Review Checklist.

**Facilitator**

*Regional; Responsible for finding 2-3 reviewers and assigning reviews of submitted add-ons. Estimated time: 1 week.*

Did reviewer accept invitation to review?

No

Yes

Find an alternate reviewer.

### PEER REVIEW

**Reviewers**

*Subject matter experts on content provided in the add-on. Estimated time to review: 3-4 weeks.*

Complete peer review and fill out Review Form within 3 weeks of invitation to review. Decide outcome of add-on material peer review.

Reject

Revisions Required

Approve

*Once approved, add-on will be uploaded onto FSR Clearinghouse with peer-review designation and date of approval.*

# Timeline

Now

Integrate components of peer review process into FSR Clearinghouse

- Fillable forms – PRR form, PRC form, and Peer Review form
- New set of options for existing and new FSR Clearinghouse accounts depending on user role

April-May

Test run of peer review process on FSR Clearinghouse using resource created by WRCEFS

June-July

Goal for accepting add-on submissions for review

# Upcoming WRCEFS Events



**NEW** Agenda and registration will be available on the WRCEFS website

## 1) WRCEFS Annual Meeting

- Virtual one-day meeting
- May 12, 2020

## 2) Professional Development Workshop with PSA

- 1/2-day skill-building virtual workshop
- May 27, 2020

# QUESTIONS?

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