

262.78 Center for agricultural safety and health.

1. The board of regents shall establish a center for agricultural safety and health at the state university of Iowa. The center shall be a joint venture by the state university of Iowa and Iowa state university of science and technology. The center shall establish farm health and safety programs designed to reduce the incidence of disabilities suffered by persons engaged in agriculture which results from disease or injury. The state university of Iowa is primarily responsible for the management of agricultural health and injury programs at the center. Iowa state university of science and technology is primarily responsible for the management of the agricultural safety programs of the center.

2. The center shall cooperate with the department of health and human services pursuant to [section 135.107](#), the center for health effects of environmental contamination established pursuant to [section 263.17](#), and the department of agriculture and land stewardship. The agencies shall coordinate programs to the extent practicable.

3. The president of the state university of Iowa, in consultation with the president of Iowa state university of science and technology, shall employ a full-time director of the center. The center may employ staff to carry out the center's purpose. The director shall coordinate the agricultural health and safety programs of the center. The director shall regularly meet and consult with the department of health and human services pursuant to [section 135.107](#). The director shall provide the board of regents with relevant information regarding the center.

4. The center may solicit, accept, and administer moneys contributed to the center by any source, and may enter into contracts with public or private agencies in order to carry out its purposes.

5. The center shall cooperate with public and private entities to provide support to programs emphasizing agricultural health, safety, and rehabilitation for farm families.

[90 Acts, ch 1207, §3](#); [2005 Acts, ch 179, §155](#); [2019 Acts, ch 85, §71](#); [2022 Acts, ch 1032, §49](#); [2023 Acts, ch 19, §1021](#); [2023 Acts, ch 64, §44](#)

Referred to in [§135.107, 263.17](#)