DELIVERY FORMATS

During the development stages of the GEARING UP FOR SAFETY curriculum, the contents have been delivered in a variety of ways including; traditional classroom instructor-based settings; informal community settings with volunteer instructors, and open enrollment; home-school settings; independent study with supporting student C.D.; and via webinar. The contents are designed to provide flexibility in delivery and allow for customization to address local issues and unique resources. For example, instructors are encouraged to incorporate personal and local experiences.

Not all the lessons have to be taught in sequence, nor are all lessons required to meet the training requirements of HOOA. As noted, some of the lessons address a more comprehensive view of hazards in the agricultural workplace than is required to meet HOOA certification requirements. The curriculum allows for structured classroom testing of participant knowledge or allows the participant to review the contents as often as needed to master the desired competencies, such as in a home school independent study setting.

One of the offerings being developed is online access to the lessons in a webinar format. Participants will be able to view each lesson and complete a test at the end of each lesson. This format could be used to present the contents and then provide supervised testing to confirm knowledge gain. For more information on this format visit www.agsafety4youth.info.