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The Farm Bill: Implications for Food Systems and Nutrition Practice

Negotiated and signed every 5–7 years, the farm bill has tremendous implications for food production, nutrition assistance, international trade, and many other fields. As our government develops the next farm bill, all consumers and healthcare and food system professionals need to understand its implications and opportunities for positive influence. Christina will review what the farm bill includes, how it affects various social and environmental factors, and how audience members can both advocate and strive for a more just, healthy, and sustainable food system through their work across practice areas.

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Christina Badaracco works as a healthcare consultant and thought leader, focusing on evidence generation and advancing the role of nutrition in healthcare. She also regularly writes, teaches, and develops curriculum about nutrition, culinary medicine, and sustainable agriculture—including publishing *The Farm Bill: A Citizen's Guide in 2019*, publishing five cookbooks with the Transamerica Institute, and co-developing a culinary medicine elective at the Georgetown University School of Medicine. Christina previously worked for the EPA, Teaching Kitchen Collaborative, Oakland Unified School District, NIH Clinical Center, and more. She serves as president-elect for the DC Metro Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, is on the board for Slow Food DC, supports the Teaching Kitchen Collaborative's nutrition working group, and contributes to various other organizations. She earned her Master of Public Health from the University of California, Berkeley, and her bachelor's degree in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, with a minor in Italian Language and Culture, from Princeton University. She completed her dietetic internship at Massachusetts General Hospital and was selected as a 2023 Emerging Dietetic Leader and 2021 Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.