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USAID Webinar: Environmental Enteropathy and WASH

Curious about the growing importance of "gut health" and its role in growth and nutrition, including how better WASH practices can reduce stunting?

Please join us for a webinar presentation and discussion on Environmental Enteropathy and WASH on Wednesday, September 11, from 11:00am - 12:30pm Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

The very best programs focusing on nutritional intake have only solved 1/3 of the stunting problem, and no nutritional research trial has ever normalized linear growth. Adequate diet is necessary for healthy growth, but is not sufficient. Meanwhile, improved water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) is associated with decreased stunting and has the same average effect as the very best infant feeding interventions. We now know that environmental enteropathy (EE), a condition of the child's intestine, is brought on by living in a dirty environment, can have a very profound impact on stunting, and can be partially reversed through WASH interventions.

Come hear the latest on these important EE findings, including how WASH can be integrated into USAID nutrition and other programs, from Laura Smith of Cornell University.

This event is sponsored by the USAID WASH, Nutrition and Feed the Future Community of Practice with support from the USAID-funded TOPS program and WASHplus project.

You can participate in this online event through Fuze at <http://fuze.me/20908746> on the day/time of the webinar. **No need to preregister.**

If you have any questions about this event or issues using Fuze, please contact Patrick Coonan at coonanfsn@gmail.com.

If you are not already on our e-mail list, sign-up [here](#). We welcome news of events, tools, trainings, country updates and other content from the broad FSN Network community. Please send any suggested content to commentsfsn@gmail.com.

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