



Dr. Sarah Kirby

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Dr. Kirby has served as a Housing Specialist for North Carolina Cooperative Extension since 1995. Prior to moving to North Carolina, she served as the Housing Specialist for the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service for nearly ten years. Dr. Kirby directs the E-Conservation Consumer Energy Education program that teaches consumers to reduce home energy consumption and save money through no-and low-cost energy efficiency measures, behavioral changes and home retrofits. She is a member of the Home Energy eXtension Community of Practice. Dr. Kirby is a certified Healthy Homes Specialist and serves on the Healthy Homes Project team focused on improving the health and safety of children and their caregivers in homes by reducing housing hazards that cause injury and disease. She has expertise and interest in home accessibility and universal design and is the housing content leader for the eXtension Family Caregiving Community of Practice. Dr. Kirby is actively involved in educational programs related to preparation, response and recovery after natural disasters. In addition, Dr. Kirby teaches an elective course, FCS 540 Environmental Influences on the Family, which is part of the Master of Science in Human Development and Family Studies degree program.

