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Biography

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Dr Clare Narrod is the Director of the Office of Risk Assessment and Cost-Benefit Analysis within the Office of the Chief Economist of the US Department of Agriculture (USDA). Prior she led the Risk Analysis Food Safety Training program at the Joint Institute for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition at the University of Maryland. Previously she has worked at the International Food Policy Research Institute and the Food and Agriculture Organization. At the start of her career, she served as an American Association for the Advancement of Science Risk Analysis Fellow at USDA. She received her Ph.D. in Energy Management and Environmental Policy and a master's degree in international development and Appropriate Technology, both from the University of Pennsylvania.

She started her career in the government where she conducted and reviewed risk assessments and cost-benefit analyses of proposed and final rules for Agency clearance associated with reducing the risk of animal and plant diseases and improving food safety. Over the years she has conducted research on identifying cost-effective food safety and animal health risk reduction measures for different size producers, understanding the role of public-private partnerships in ensuring the production of safe food to improve market access for the poor and measuring the impact of capacity building efforts on improving food safety. She is involved in developing public-private partnerships to share data that might be used to enhance food safety risks.

She has conducted research in Bangladesh, Brazil, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Nigeria, Thailand, Mali, Mexico, Vietnam, and Zambia. She has taught in Bangladesh, Colombia, China, Egypt, India, Jamaica, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Russia, the US, and Zambia.