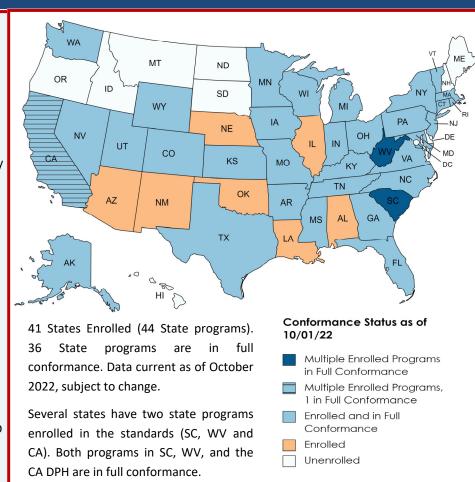
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Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Standards (MFRPS)

STRENGTH OF THE MFRPS AND PARTNERSHIPS

- Improve the nation's food safety as directed by the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA)
- Enhance the infrastructure and capacity of state food safety regulatory programs
- Provide a foundation for mutual reliance between state programs and FDA in an effort towards an Integrated Food Safety System (IFSS)
- Promote quality regulatory programs through continuous self-improvement
- Improve communication among regulatory and public health partners
- Promote the sharing of information via forums such as MFRPA and FoodSHIELD



What Leaders Are Saying

"In a growing marketplace, FDA recognizes the importance of leveraging our state partners to achieve our shared responsibility protecting the public health. The MFRPS provide the framework for our federal/state cooperative work, broaden uniform and consistent regulatory foundations and oversight of the regulated industry, recognizes comparable regulatory public health systems with trusted partners, and leveraging of one another's work and data. Through the collaborative efforts of the MFRPS, we'll continue to advance our goals of reaching mutual reliance and best protect the health and safety of our American people." -- Michelle Motsinger, Regulatory Program Standards Group Manager

"The MFRPS has been a real game changer for our state programs in Utah. The quality systems we have been able to develop based on the Standards have helped to vastly improve the quality of our risk-based inspections. We have also been able to build a compliance and enforcement program that has shown measurable improvements at gaining compliance in the food and dietary supplement industry. The Standards have enabled us to focus on continuous improvements and participate as a full partner with FDA in ensuring that food products manufactured in Utah are safe, wholesome, and honestly presented."

-- Richard Beckstrand, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food

"When I was a new coordinator, the Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Standards helped outline a path for developing more robust manufactured food and sampling programs. Now that we have been through three cycles of full-conformance with the standards, we still use these standards to guide our program and continuously improve."

-- Amber Grisamore, Kansas Department of Agriculture

Financial Assistance to Build Foundational and Quality State Programs

At this time, the Flexible Funding Model (FFM) may provide up to \$300,000 per year for up to 3 years for the MFRPS *Development Phase*. Based on the program's chosen options (Food Protection Task Force, Special Projects, etc.) and the criteria-based data level, the *Maintenance Phase* could provide from \$150,000 to \$300,000 to the program per year, plus an additional \$150,000 for up to three years for a FSMA Human Foods Preventive Controls Implementation Expansion Supplement. Funding could be provided as long as funding remains available, and the agency's progress remains acceptable.

This FFM funding can be used for:

- Hiring appropriate staff, including a dedicated coordinator to oversee the MFRPS program
- Covering the costs of inspectional staff training, to include both course fees and travel costs
- Offsetting some staff salaries to enable time for MFRPS
- Acquisition of inspectional equipment and tools
- Upgrading necessary inspectional or laboratory capabilities



FDA SUPPORT FOR STATE PROGRAMS

- Offers dedicated FDA staff to work with the State program staff, provide expertise and technical support including annual meetings
- Builds collaboration between state programs, divisions within FDA and other outside agencies
- Encourages integration of data collection systems to improve interoperability between FDA and state programs



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Standards (includes link to funding announcement): http://www.fda.gov/MFRPS
- Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Alliance (MFRPA): www.afdo.org/MFRPA
- FoodSHIELD: www.foodshield.org
- FSMA (includes link to the Technical Assistance Network): www.fda.gov/FSMA
- FDA Office of Partnerships: www.fda.gov/regulatorypartners
- Other FDA Regulatory Program Standards: www.fda.gov/regulatoryprogramstandards

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