

FDA FACT SHEET

MAMMOGRAPHY QUALITY STANDARDS ACT (MQSA) INSPECTION CONTRACT PROGRAM

Program Description

- The Mammography Quality Standards Act (MQSA) was signed into law in 1992.
- The Act authorizes FDA to obtain state, local, and territorial assistance in enforcing the MQSA requirements including annual inspections of all certified facilities.
- As part of the MQSA, Congress mandated annual reporting of adverse actions taken against mammography facilities. Congress stipulated that the report be made available to physicians and the public and that it should include information that is useful in evaluating the performance of mammography facilities nationwide.

Intended Outcomes

- To obtain state and local assistance in the inspection of certified non-federal mammography facilities.
- To document compliance with the mammography quality standards issued under 21 CFR Part 900.
- To ensure facilities that fail accreditation cease providing mammography services.
- To require all facilities to have a system in place to address and resolve complaints.
- To ensure women receive high quality mammography for early breast cancer detection by requiring the establishment of a federal certification and inspection program.

Program Metrics

- Current program funding: 10.6M
- Current number of awards: 42

MQSA Contract Awardees (FY2019)								
Alabama	Arizona	Arkansas	California	Colorado	Connecticut	Delaware	Florida	Georgia
Hawaii	Idaho	Kansas	Kentucky	Louisiana	Maine	Maryland	Massachusetts	Michigan
Mississippi	Missouri	Montana	New Jersey	New Hampshire	New Mexico	Nevada	New York State	New York City
North Carolina	North Dakota	Ohio	Oregon	Pennsylvania	Puerto Rico	Rhode Island	South Dakota	Tennessee
Utah	Vermont	Virginia	Washington	West Virginia	Wisconsin			

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