

FDA FACT SHEET

STATE/TERRITORY PRODUCE IMPLEMENTATION COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT PROGRAM

Program Description

- As part of the implementation of the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA), FDA established science-based minimum standards for the safe growing, harvesting, packing, and holding of fruits and vegetables grown for human consumption as outlined in FDA's Regulation, "Standards for the Growing, Harvesting, Packing, and Holding of Produce for Human Consumption" (commonly referred to as the Produce Safety Rule).
- The new legislation requires an increased level of cooperation between federal, state, territory, and food safety produce entities.
- Eligible applicants for this cooperative agreement include state/territory government agencies with actual or potential regulatory oversight and responsibility over their respective jurisdiction's commodities regulated in FDA's Produce Safety Rule.
- Applicants may apply for either Competition A only or Competition A/B.
 - Competition A includes Infrastructure, Education, Technical Assistance, and Inventory Program
 - Competition A/B includes Competition A components, and an Inspection, Compliance and Enforcement Program
- Potential applicants have been classified into 5 tiers of funding ceilings based on the number of farms growing covered produce within the jurisdiction.

Intended Outcomes

- Establish a process to develop and maintain a produce farm inventory.
- Plan, establish, and/or enhance state and territory produce safety programs.
- Coordinate with other local, state, territory, and federal agencies for produce safety activities.
- Formulate a multi-year plan to implement a produce safety system.
- Develop a performance measurement system, plan and/or process system to measure the progress towards the goals of this cooperative agreement.
- Evaluate produce legislative or regulatory authority.
- Develop and/or provide education, outreach, and technical assistance to jurisdictional produce safety regulators.
- Design and implement a compliance program for produce safety regulations at the jurisdictional level.
- Advance efforts for a nationally integrated food safety system.
- Plan, establish, and/or enhance state and territory produce safety programs.
- Encourage the safe production of fresh fruits and vegetables.
- Promote understanding and compliance with the requirements of the Produce Safety Rule.

Program Metrics

- Current program funding: \$27.135M
- Current number of awards: 48

State Produce CAP Awardees (FY2021)							
Alabama	Alaska	American Samoa	Arkansas	Arizona	California	Colorado	Connecticut
Delaware	Florida	Georgia	Hawaii	Idaho	Indiana	Iowa	Kansas
Kentucky	Louisiana	Maine	Maryland	Massachusetts	Michigan	Minnesota	Mississippi
Missouri	Montana	Nebraska	Nevada	New Hampshire	New Mexico	New Jersey	New York
North Carolina	North Dakota	Ohio	Oklahoma	Oregon	Pennsylvania	Rhode Island	South Carolina
Tennessee	Texas	Utah	Vermont	Virginia	Washington	Wisconsin	West Virginia

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