

OVERVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

FDA accomplishes its core mission through activities that align to the priority areas in the FDA Strategic Policy Roadmap:

- Reduce the burdens of addiction crises that are threatening American families
- Leverage innovation and competition to improve health care, broaden access, and advance public health goals
- Empower consumers and patients to make better and more informed decisions about their diets and health; and expand the opportunities to use nutrition to reduce morbidity and mortality from disease
- Strengthen FDA’s scientific workforce and its tools for efficient risk management.

FDA's FY 2020 Budget addresses these priority areas, as discussed in the Overview of the Budget Request.

TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

FDA-TRACK is the Agency’s performance management program that collects, monitors, analyzes and reports key performance data and projects from FDA’s program offices and cross-cutting initiatives. It demonstrates the value of FDA’s contributions to public health, enables better leadership decision making with timely performance information, and provides a better mechanism for linking program activities with leadership priorities. Each quarter, the FDA-TRACK team reviews results from each office and meets with office representatives to discuss accomplishments and any projected shortfalls in performance. If necessary, the discussion is raised to the FDA executive leadership level where the office directors would present and explain their performance results. Performance data and projects are then posted onto the FDA-TRACK website and a monthly newsletter is sent to the over 50,000 email subscribers.

FDA-TRACK provides insights into the activities of key program offices and facilitates discussion, best practices, decision-making and ultimately, performance improvement. Since the inception of FDA-TRACK, FDA has seen significant performance improvement in areas such as:

- Elimination of generic new animal drug applications backlog;
- Increase in hospital participation in the MedSun program;
- Efficiency in the 510(k) review procedures, and
- Reduction of FOIA backlog.

Today, the FDA-TRACK website provides the public insights into the daily operations of the Agency, and how our day-to-day work impacts and is reflected in our mission.