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Department of Health and Human Services

Food and Drug Administration

Office of the Commissioner

Office of Food Policy and Response

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1. Office of Food Policy and Response (DCL).

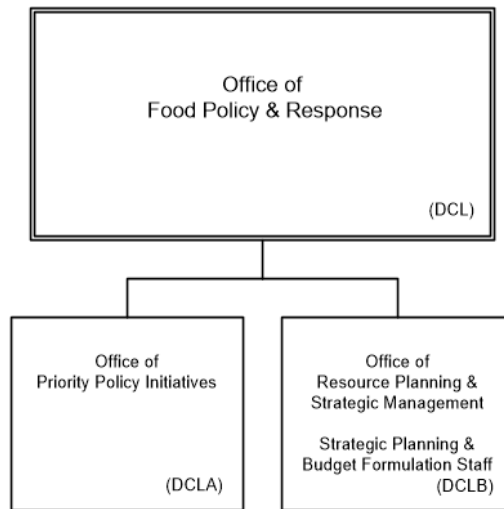
- A. As designated by the Commissioner, provides executive leadership, direction, and coordination over policy initiatives involving food safety modernization activities and human food-safety programs.
- B. Exercises, on behalf of the Commissioner, all food safety modernization activities and human food safety-related legal authorities that the Commissioner is empowered to exercise under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, as amended, the Public Health Service Act, and other applicable laws.
- C. Represents the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on food safety modernization activities and human food safety-related matters, in dealings with the Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the White House and other elements of the Executive Branch.
- D. Represents FDA on food safety modernization activities and human food safety-related matters in dealings with Congress.
- E. Leads FDA on food safety modernization activities and human food safety-related matters, in dealings with foreign governments and international organizations.
- F. Represents FDA on food safety modernization activities and human food safety-related matters with external stakeholders and engages with these stakeholders to accomplish program goals.
- G. Coordinates FDA efforts to build an integrated national food safety system in collaboration with other federal agencies and state and local governments.

- H. Coordinates the oversight of food related outbreak responses, tracebacks, recalls, and communication to stakeholders involving threats to human health and serves as the primary advisor to the Commissioner on these activities.
- I. Leads the evaluation and adoption of new and emerging technologies to strengthen the FDA's ability to track and trace foods throughout the food system.
- J. As designated by the Commissioner, coordinates certain cross-cutting policy development, high priority activities, and associated external engagement activities related to food safety.
- K. Coordinated an integrated food safety approach for the Office of Food Policy and Response, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, Center for Veterinary Medicine and the Office of Regulatory Affairs.

2. Authority and Effective Date.

The functional statements for the Office of Food Policy and Response were approved by the Secretary of Health and Human Services and effective on December 14, 2018.

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The following is the Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration, Office of Food Policy and Response organization structure depicting all the organizational structures reporting to the Director.

These organizations report to the Office of the Food Policy and Response (DCL):

Office of Priority Policy Initiatives (DCLA)

Office of Resource Planning and Strategic Management (DCLB)

The organization reports to the Office of Resource Planning and Strategic Management

Strategic Planning and Budget Formulation Staff