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**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Food and Drug Administration**

**Office of the Commissioner**

**Office of Food Policy and Response**

**Office of Priority Policy Initiatives**

Effective Date: December 14, 2018

**1. Office of Priority Policy Initiatives (DCLA).**

- A. Provides executive leadership, direction, management, and coordination over policy initiatives involving:
  - a. Food safety modernization activities, including monitoring modernization implementation activities on behalf of the Foods Program Governance Board.
  - b. Certain Human Food Safety Issues, including cross-cutting issues, high priority initiatives and those assigned by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Leadership.
  - c. New Era of Smarter Food Safety Issues, involving policy.
- B. Serves as the Office of Food Policy and Response (OFPR) Point of Contact for engaging on food safety policy issues being led by other parts of FDA, including:
  - a. Certain other Human Food Safety policy issues.
  - b. Certain other cross-cutting policy issues and high priority policy initiatives.
- C. Responsible for preparations for certain Food Safety related Congressional Hearings.
- D. Responsible for review and/or clearance of policy related documents, communication documents and other policy related materials for OFPR.
- E. Responsible for OFPR's interactions with the Government Accountability Office and the Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of the Inspector General including strategic direction where OFPR is the lead.

## **2. Authority and Effective Date.**

The functional statements for the Office of Priority Policy Initiatives 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, Office of Priority Policy Initiatives organization structure depicting all the organizational structures reporting to the Director.

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