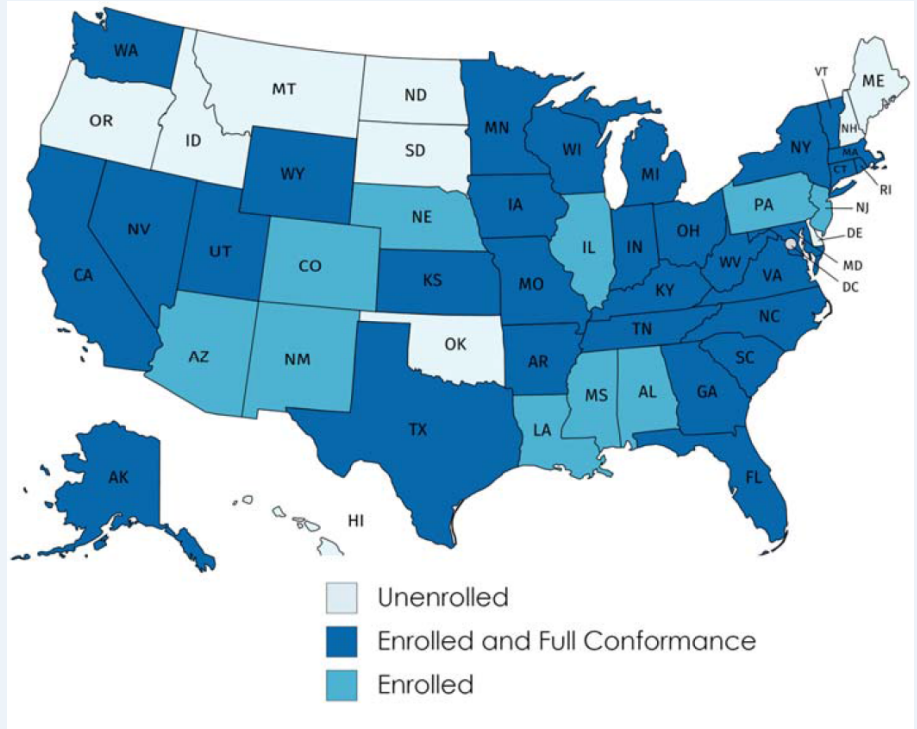


## Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Standards (MFRPS)

### STRENGTH OF THE MFRPS AND PARTNERSHIPS

- Improve the nation’s food safety as directed by the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA)
- Enhance the infrastructure and capacity of state food safety regulatory programs
- Provide a foundation for mutual reliance between state programs and FDA in an effort towards an Integrated Food Safety System (IFSS)
- Promote quality regulatory programs through continuous self-improvement
- Improve communication among regulatory and public health partners
- Promote the sharing of information via forums such as MFRPA and FoodSHIELD



40 States Enrolled (43 State programs). 32 State programs are in full conformance. Data current as of October 2020, subject to change.

Several states have two state programs enrolled in the standards (SC, WV and CA). Both programs in SC, WV, and the CA DPH are in full conformance.

### What Leaders Are Saying

*“In a growing marketplace, FDA recognizes the importance of leveraging our state partners to achieve our shared responsibility protecting the public health. The MFRPS provide the framework for our federal/state cooperative work, broaden uniform and consistent regulatory foundations and oversight of the regulated industry, recognizes comparable regulatory public health systems with trusted partners, and leveraging of one another’s work and data. Through the collaborative efforts of the MFRPS, we’ll continue to advance our goals of reaching mutual reliance and best protect the health and safety of our American people.” -- Tim Weigner, Director of Division of Standards Implementation*

*“The MFRPS program has allowed information to be more freely shared between our program and the FDA. We’re better able to engage and rely on one another to get to the same end point and our trajectory towards mutual reliance has been good and can only continue to improve.” Frank Greene, Director, Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection*

*“The systems and regulatory foundations developed through MFRPS, have enabled a quicker shift to address the unique inspectional needs of our COVID-19 environment. Because we have built the proper networks and contact information, virtual training for necessary MFRPS this has allowed for everything from using virtual “Teams” meetings for emergency response and illness outbreak discussions to virtual style inspections that include the necessary touch points. The established MFRPS systems have enabled us to quickly update and change our systems to account for COVID-19”. Sandra Craig, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control*

## Financial Assistance to Build Foundational and Quality State Programs

At this time, the Flexible Funding Model (FFM) may provide up to \$300,000 per year for up to 5 years for the MFRPS *Development Phase*. Based on the program's chosen options (Rapid Response Team, Food Protection Task Force, Special Projects, etc.) and the criteria-based data level, the *Maintenance Phase* could provide from \$150,000 to \$300,000 to the program per year, plus an additional \$150,000 for up to three years for a FSMA Human Foods Preventive Controls Implementation Expansion Supplement. Funding could be provided as long as funding remains available, and the agency's progress remains acceptable.

This FFM funding can be used for:

- Hiring appropriate staff, including a dedicated coordinator to oversee the MFRPS program
- Covering the costs of inspectional staff training, to include both course fees and travel costs
- Offsetting some staff salaries to enable time for MFRPS
- Acquisition of inspectional equipment and tools
- Upgrading necessary inspectional or laboratory capabilities



## FDA SUPPORT FOR STATE PROGRAMS

- Offers dedicated FDA staff to work with the State program staff, provide expertise and technical support including annual meetings
- Builds collaboration between state programs, divisions within FDA and other outside agencies
- Encourages integration of data collection systems to improve interoperability between FDA and state programs



## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- **Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Standards (includes link to funding announcement):** <http://www.fda.gov/MFRPS>
- **Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Alliance (MFRPA):** [www.afdo.org/MFRPA](http://www.afdo.org/MFRPA)
- **FoodSHIELD:** [www.foodshield.org](http://www.foodshield.org)
- **FSMA (includes link to the Technical Assistance Network):** [www.fda.gov/FSMA](http://www.fda.gov/FSMA)
- **FDA Office of Partnerships:** [www.fda.gov/regulatorypartners](http://www.fda.gov/regulatorypartners)
- **Other FDA Regulatory Program Standards:** [www.fda.gov/regulatoryprogramstandards](http://www.fda.gov/regulatoryprogramstandards)

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