

FDA Staff Manual Guides, Volume 1 – Organizations and Functions

Food and Drug Administration

Center for Veterinary Medicine

Office of Surveillance and Compliance

Division of Food Compliance

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1. Division of Food Compliance (DCGDE)

- A. Develops, monitors, and evaluates the Center's compliance and surveillance programs pertaining to tissue residue and National Drug Residue Milk Monitoring.
- B. Evaluates regulatory approaches to human food safety concerns including monitoring the prevalence of violative levels of harmful drugs and chemicals in meat and poultry based on findings reported to the Center by the United States Department of Agriculture / Food Safety Inspection Service (USDA/FSIS) and develop strategies designed to prevent food safety problems associated with pathogens and residues.
- C. Coordinates and prepares compliance and enforcement-oriented replies to inquiries from consumers, State and Federal governments, Congress, industry, etc.
- D. Advises on regulatory and administrative policy issues and develops enforcement strategies involving animal food. Prepares and issues guidance to the field offices. Coordinates and prepares compliance and enforcement-oriented replies to inquiries from consumers, State and Federal governments, Congress, industry, etc.
- E. Performs preliminary reviews of Establishment Inspection Reports, investigations, complaints and other information on regulated products. Coordinates investigative and regulatory follow-up through consultation with management, legal, and scientific advisors. Reviews proposed regulatory actions submitted by the field offices and recommends whether such actions should be pursued further by the FDA.
- F. Evaluates complaints, coordinates recalls, and manages emergency response incidents.
- G. Evaluates the safety of complete animal foods, animal food supplements, and food ingredients for animals, and provides risk assessments on hazardous contaminants in animal foods to ensure animal and human food safety.

- H. Approves feed mill licenses after being assured that the licensee can manufacture and label medicated feed in compliance with FDA regulations.
- I. Maintains inventory of distributors of veterinary feed directive drugs.
- J. Ensures that licensed facilities comply with the medicated feed license regulations by evaluating the results of an inspectional compliance program for these facilities.
- K. Develops, monitors, evaluates, provides reports from, and provides training for regulatory requirements on the Center's compliance programs or field assignments for animal food.
- L. Provides surveillance for adverse events involving consumption of pet food. Performs scientific and epidemiologic assessment of data as part of the pet food early warning system to identify potential safety issues and establish the need for product recalls.
- M. Evaluates the safety and effectiveness of marketed special dietary foods and recommends action to correct deficiencies resulting from inadequate directions for use, warnings, and cautionary information.

2. Authority and Effective Date

The functional statements for the Office were approved by the Acting Commissioner of Food and Drugs on December 7, 2021 and effective on February 9, 2022.

Refer to the following section for a text alternative to this graphic organization chart.

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The following is the Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration, Center for Veterinary Medicine, Office of Surveillance and Compliance, Division of Food Compliance organization structure depicting all the organizational structures reporting to the Director of Food Compliance:

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