

**FDA Staff Manual Guides, Volume I – Organizations and Functions**

**Department of Health and Human Services**

**Food and Drug Administration**

**Office of Inspections and Investigations**

**Office of Human Food Inspectorate**

**Office of Global and Specialty Human Food Inspectorate**

**Division of Produce Safety**

Effective Date: May 13, 2024

**1. Division of Produce Safety (DCSKDC).**

- A. Develops and maintains cooperative relationships with State, international, and other Federal agencies; encourages improved State and local consumer protection programs related to Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-enforced laws and regulations in coordination with the Human Foods Program (HFP).
- B. Serves as the primary point of contact for State officials concerning produce plants, farms, and packaging manufacturers.
- C. Provides guidance and technical assistance to State regulatory personnel, industry, and academia on produce safety programs in coordination with the HFP.
- D. Evaluates state produce safety programs and promotes the adoption, implementation and enforcement of regulatory standards and ordinances.
- E. Coordinates emergency preparedness and response activities associated with national events, natural and man-made disasters, and illness outbreaks/injuries involving produce plants, farms, and packaging manufacturers.
- F. Promotes the effectiveness of the produce safety program through participation in meetings, seminars, conferences, and committees.
- G. Coordinates Federal interagency matters related to produce safety.

## **2. Produce Safety Branch 1 (DCSKDC1).**

- A. Supports cooperative relationships with State, international, and other Federal agencies; encourages improved State and local consumer protection programs related to FDA-enforced laws and regulations in coordination with the HFP.
- B. Serves as the primary point of contact for state officials concerning produce plants, farms, and packaging manufacturers. Provides guidance and technical assistance to state regulatory personnel, industry, and academia on produce safety programs.
- C. Evaluates state produce safety programs and promotes the adoption, implementation and enforcement of regulatory standards and ordinances.
- D. Conducts domestic and foreign inspections and investigations of produce plants, farms, and packaging manufacturers and reports findings to the HFP.
- E. Participates in emergency preparedness and response activities associated with national events, natural and man-made disasters, and illness outbreaks/injuries.

## **3. Produce Safety Branch 2 (DCSKDC2).**

- A. Supports cooperative relationships with State, international, and other Federal agencies; encourages improved State and local consumer protection programs related to FDA-enforced laws and regulations in coordination with the HFP.
- B. Serves as the primary point of contact for state officials concerning produce plants, farms, and packaging manufacturers. Provides guidance and technical assistance to state regulatory personnel, industry, and academia on produce safety programs in coordination with the HFP.
- C. Supports the HFP in evaluating state produce safety programs and promotes the adoption, implementation and enforcement of regulatory standards and ordinances.
- D. Conducts domestic and foreign inspections and investigations of produce plants, farms, and packaging manufacturers in coordination with the HFP.
- E. Participates in emergency preparedness and response activities associated with national events, natural and man-made disasters, and illness outbreaks/injuries in coordination with the HFP.

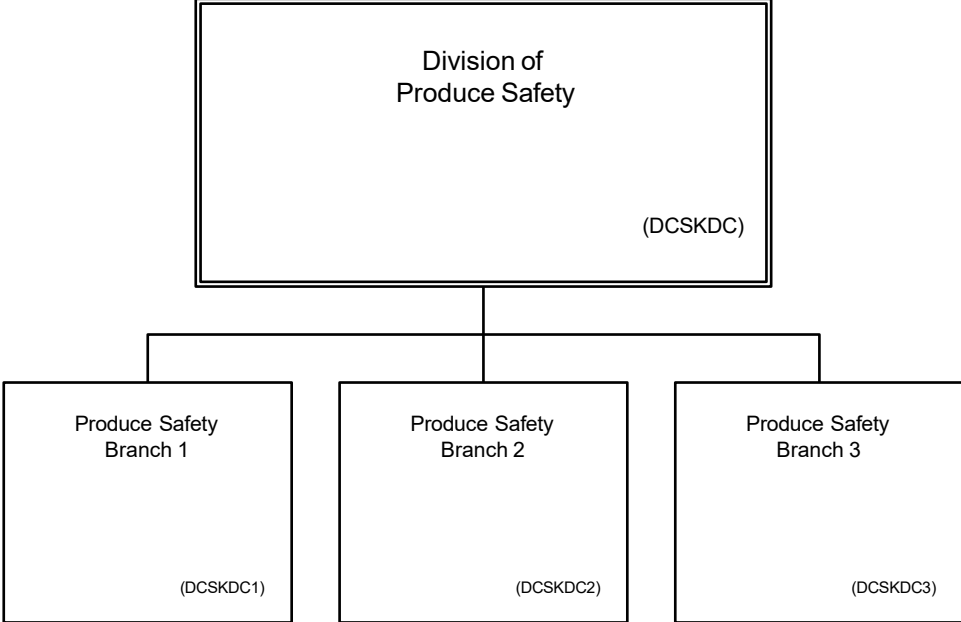
#### **4. Produce Safety Branch 3 (DCSKDC3).**

- A. Supports cooperative relationships with State, international, and other Federal agencies; encourages improved State and local consumer protection programs related to FDA-enforced laws and regulations in coordination with the HFP.
- B. Serves as the primary point of contact for state officials concerning produce plants, farms, and packaging manufacturers. Provides guidance and technical assistance to state regulatory personnel, industry, and academia on produce safety programs in coordination with the HFP.
- C. Supports the HFP in evaluating state produce safety programs and promotes the adoption, implementation and enforcement of regulatory standards and ordinances.
- D. Conducts domestic and foreign inspections and investigations of produce plants, farms, and packaging manufacturers in coordination with the HFP.
- E. Participates in emergency preparedness and response activities associated with national events, natural and man-made disasters, and illness outbreaks/injuries in coordination with the HFP.

#### **5. Authority and Effective Date.**

The functional statements for the Division of Produce Safety were approved by the Secretary of Health and Human Services on March 5, 2024, and effective on May 13, 2024.

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The following is the Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration, Office of Inspections and Investigations, Office of Human Food Inspectorate, Office of Global and Specialty Human Food Inspectorate, Division of Produce Safety organization structure depicting all the organizational structures reporting to the Director:

Produce Safety Branch 1 (DCSKDC1)

Produce Safety Branch 2 (DCSKDC2)

Produce Safety Branch 3 (DCSKDC3)