

FDA Staff Manual Guides, Volume I – Organizations and Functions

Department of Health and Human Services

Food and Drug Administration

Human Foods Program

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1. Human Foods Program (DCR).

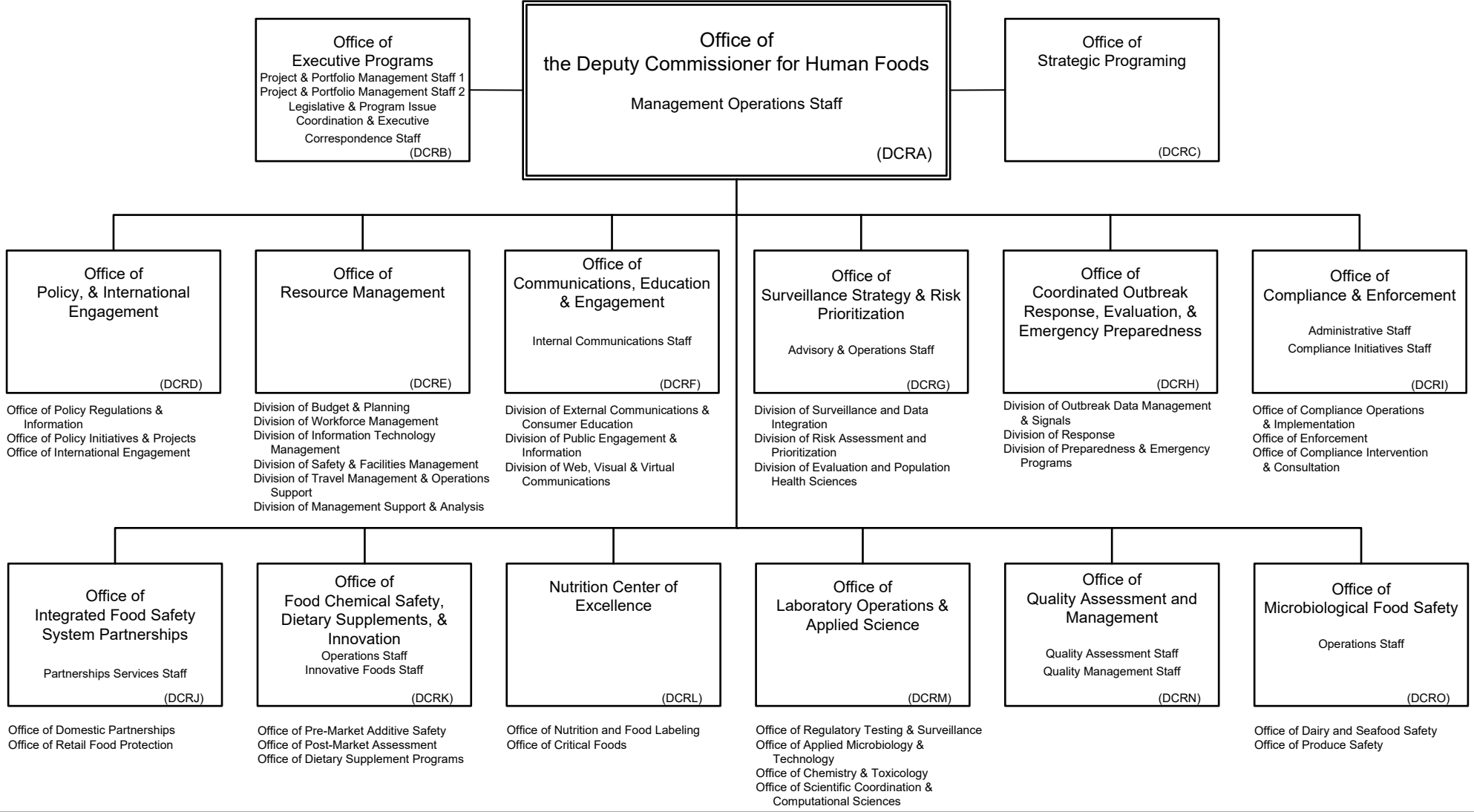
- A. Leads the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA's) human food activities, including microbiological and food chemical safety, nutrition, innovation, and dietary supplement programs and policy initiatives.
- B. Directs risk prioritization, resource allocation, and surveillance strategy, including deployment of inspectional, import screening, and investigational resources dedicated to the human foods program across FDA as well as coordination with regulatory and public health partners, including other federal agencies, state, local, and tribal governments, and foreign governments, to achieve the goals and mission of FDA with maximum effectiveness.
- C. Exercises, on behalf of the Commissioner, all delegable human food 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.
- D. Represents the FDA on human food activities and matters, in dealings with the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the United States (U.S.) Department of Agriculture, the White House and other elements of the Executive Branch.
- E. Represents FDA on human food activities and matters in dealings with Congress.
- F. Leads on human food activities and matters in dealings with foreign governments and international organizations in coordination with Office of Global Policy and Strategy (OGPS).

- G. Represents FDA on human food activities and matters with external stakeholders and engages with these stakeholders to accomplish program goals.
- H. Leads FDA efforts to build an integrated national food safety system in collaboration with the Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM) and other federal agencies and state and local governments.
- I. Leads human 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.
- J. Leads all Human Foods Program (HFP) laboratory studies and the processing of regulatory samples to maintain the highest level of quality and integrity and ensures that all laboratories are in compliance with Good Laboratory Practice Regulations.
- K. Leads human foods-related compliance activities and recommends proposed administrative and legal actions to ascertain compliance with regulatory policy and enforcement objectives.
- L. Coordinates an integrated approach on foods activities for the HFP, CVM, and the FDA's inspections and investigations program.

2. Authority and Effective Date.

The functional statements for the Human Foods Program 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, Human Foods Program organization structure depicting all the organizational structures reporting to the Deputy Commissioner for Human Food Program:

These organizations report to the Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Human Foods (DCRA):

Management Operations Staff (DCRA1)

Office of Executive Programs (DCRB)

Office of Strategic Programing (DCRC)

Office of Policy and International Engagement (DCRD)

Office of Resource Management (DCRE)

Office of Communications, Education, and Engagement (DCRF)

Office of Surveillance Strategy and Risk Prioritization (DCRG)

Office of Coordinated Outbreak Response, Evaluation and Emergency Preparedness (DCRH)

Office of Compliance and Enforcement (DCRI)

Office of Integrated Food Safety Systems Partnerships (DCRJ)

Office of Food Chemical Safety, Dietary Supplements, and Innovation (DCRK)

Nutrition Center of Excellence (DCRL)

Office of Laboratory Operations and Applied Science (DCRM)

Office of Quality Assessment and Management (DCRN)

Office of Microbiological Food Safety (DCRO)

These organizations report to the Office of Executive Programs (DCRB):

Project and Portfolio Management Staff 1

Project and Portfolio Management Staff 2

Legislative and Program Issue Coordination and Executive Secretariat Staff

These organizations report to the Office of Strategic Programing (DCRC):

These organizations report to the Office of Policy and International Engagement (DCRD):

Office of Policy, Regulations, and Information

Office of Policy Initiatives and Projects

Office of International Engagement

These organizations report to the Office of Resource Management (DCRE):

Division of Budget and Planning

Division of Workforce Management

Division of Information Technology Management

Division of Safety and Facilities Management

Division of Travel Management and Operations Support

Division of Management Support and Analysis

These organizations report to the Office of Communications, Education, and Engagement (DCRF):

Internal Communications Staff

Division of External Communications and Consumer Education

Division of Public Engagement and Information

Division of Web, Visual, and Virtual Communications

These organizations report to the Office of Surveillance Strategy and Risk Prioritization (DCRG):

Advisory and Operations Staff

Division of Surveillance and Data Integration

Division of Risk Assessment and Prioritization

Division of Evaluation and Population Health Science

These organizations report to the Office of Coordinated Outbreak Response, Evaluation and Emergency Preparedness (DCRH):

Division of Outbreak Data Management and Signals

Division of Response

Division of Preparedness and Emergency Programs

These organizations report to the Office of Compliance and Enforcement (DCRI):

Administrative Staff

Compliance Initiatives Staff

Office of Compliance Operations and Implementation

Office of Enforcement

Office of Compliance Intervention and Consultation

These organizations report to the Office of Integrated Food Safety Systems

Partnerships (DCRJ):

Partnerships Services Staff

Office of Domestic Partnerships

Office of Retail Food Protection

These organizations report to the Office of Food Chemical Safety, Dietary Supplements, and Innovation (DCRK):

Operations Staff

Innovative Foods Staff

Office of Pre-Market Additive Safety

Office of Post-Market Assessment

Office of Dietary Supplement Programs

These organizations report to the Nutrition Center of Excellence (DCRL):

Office of Nutrition and Food Labeling

Office of Critical Foods

These organizations report to the Office of Laboratory Operations and Applied Science

(DCRM):

Office of Regulatory Testing and Surveillance

Office of Applied Microbiology and Technology

Office of Chemistry and Toxicology

Office of Scientific Coordination and Computational Sciences

These organizations report to the Office of Quality Assessment and Management

(DCRN):

Quality Assessment Staff

Quality Management Staff

These organizations report to the Office of Microbiological Food Safety (DCRO):

Operations Staff

Office of Dairy and Seafood Safety

Office of Produce Safety