

# Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Standards (MFRPS)

## Cooperative Agreement Program

### Program Description

- Enhance the nation's food safety, as directed by the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA).
- Provide the tools and resources to enable state food regulatory programs to build strong infrastructures and systems that complement national uniformity and promote an integrated food safety system.
- Promote quality regulatory programs through continuous self-improvement.
- Improve communication among regulatory and public health partners.

### Intended Outcomes

- Enhance capacity of food safety regulatory programs by serving as the foundation for mutual reliance.
- Promote internal program consistency, a highly trained workforce, and partnerships with other regulatory and public health programs.
- Provide tools to help programs build a quality management system to measure and improve performance and accountability.
- Promote consumer confidence in food protection programs.
- Assess gaps and set priorities for program improvements through MFRPS' self-assessment approach.
- Use MFRPS tools to complete a resource assessment to help justify existing resources or to request increases resources.
- Facilitate opportunities for states to network, learn, and work with other state regulatory programs by facilitating information-sharing and improved communications.

### Program Metrics

- Current program funding: \$9.77M
- Current number of awards: 43
- MFRPS CAP Awardees (FY2024)

Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California\*, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Nebraska, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia\*, Wisconsin, Wyoming

\*Denotes a state with two agencies holding individual cooperative agreements.