



Minnesota Department of Agriculture's Response to COVID-19

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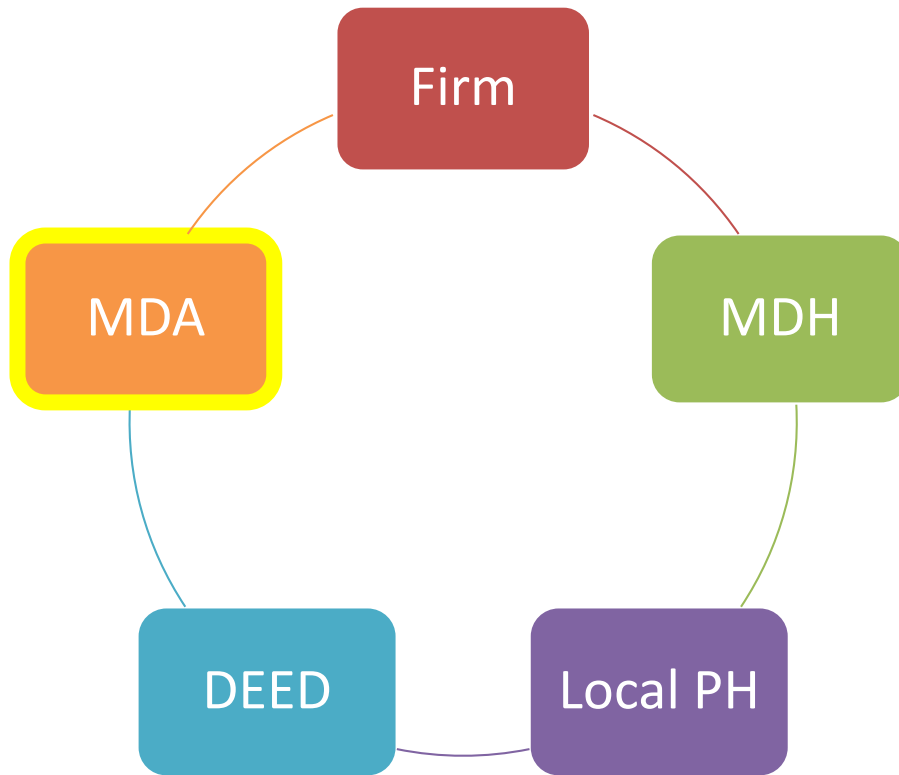
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COVID-19 Response

- Rapid Response Team support to firms with Case Clusters
- Manufactured Food Program
 - Outreach to Facilities
 - Modified Approach to Inspections

COVID Best Practices Calls: A Team Approach



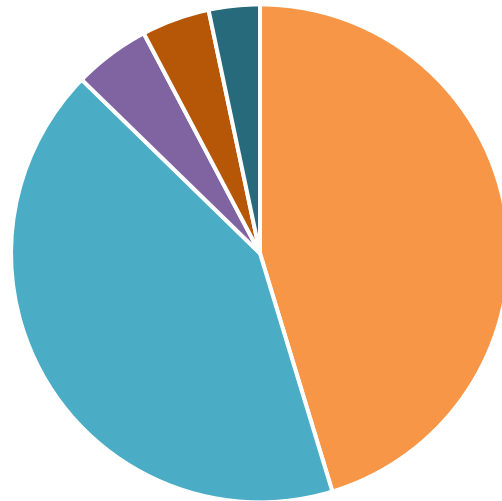
- FFSD – RRT played a facilitator role and bring the team together
- Not regulatory calls
- Assess gaps and recommend actions to mitigate spread
- Connect the firm and their employees to answers and resources

COVID Preparedness and Response Assessment

- Do they have a plan?
- How are they implementing it?
- What steps were taken after employees became ill/tested positive?
- Any patterns in where these employees work or other commonalities?
- What questions do they have about responding and mitigating spread?

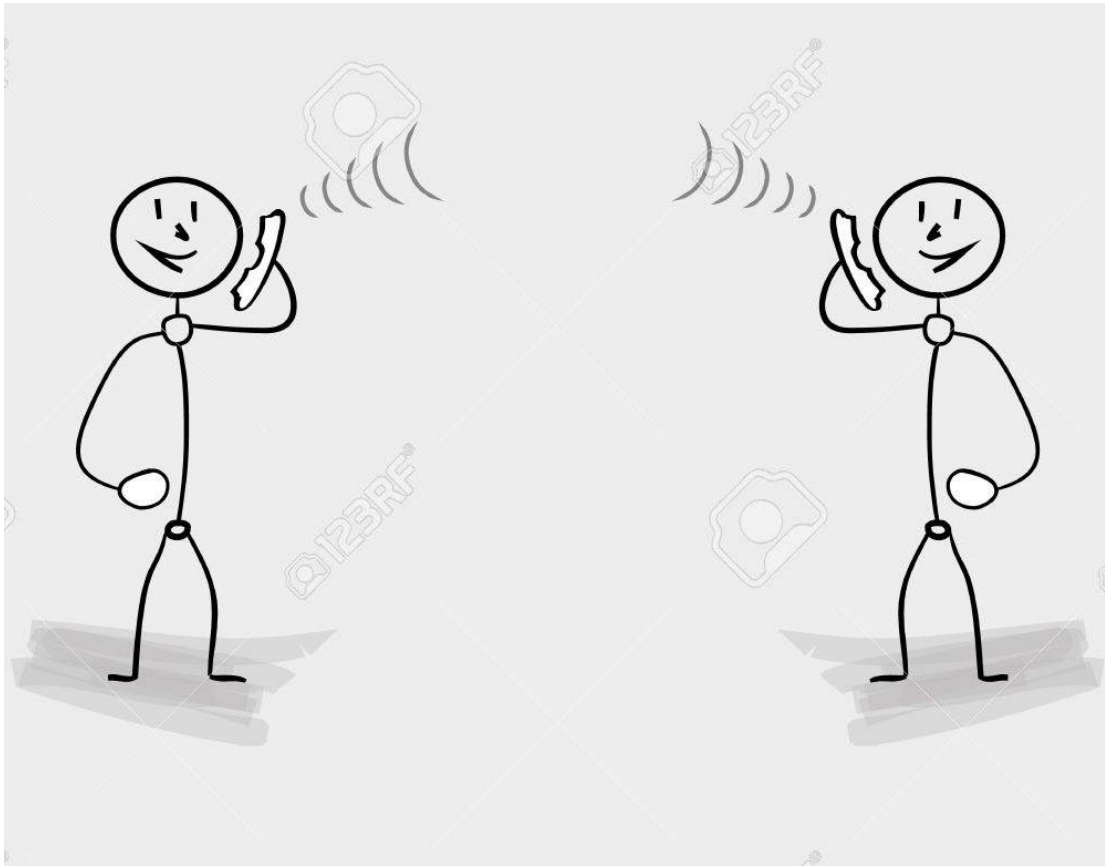
Case Clusters in FFSD facilities

Total – 181 Facilities



- Retail Food
- Manufactured Food
- Multiple Programs
- Commercial Feed
- Other





Manufactured Food Program Outreach Contact Calls

- Outreach opportunity
- Scripted discussion questions
- Data collection in Google Forms survey
- Method to prioritize inspection work
- Not regulatory

Modified Inspection Procedures

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- Inspection Protocol – Procedure Clarification
 - Inspections and Inspector Health and Safety Precautions
 - Virtual Inspections
 - Inspection Report

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POLICIES

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