

IFSS Toolkit Workshop: Introduction to the Integrated Food Safety System



Scope

In this workshop, participants will:

Discuss current integration activities, prioritize areas to improve integration, and develop a plan of action to implement the plan for an Integrated Food Safety System.

Terminal Learning Objective

Participants will be able to:

Develop an integration plan for food safety and food defense using the IFSS Toolkit.

Enabling Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

1. Describe the benefits of an integrated food safety and food defense system.
2. Describe the roles of the multiple stakeholders involved in food safety and food defense.
3. Following the three-step process, use the IFSS Toolkit to develop a plan for an integrated food safety and food defense system.

Why develop an integrated food safety system?

- Federal, state, and local policies often require integration.
- Integration is more efficient.
- Good government.
- No one can do the job alone.
- We need each other.
- Integration can be fun!

Discussion Question

What does an integrated food safety system look like and how do you know when you are there?

Stakeholders in our Food Safety System

- Consumers
- Government: local, state, federal, tribal, and territorial
- Industry
- Media
- Legislative bodies
- Courts
- Special interest groups and domestic NGOs
- International governments, industry, and NGOs (Codex, WHO, FAO, etc.)
- Law enforcement and homeland security
- Academia and researchers

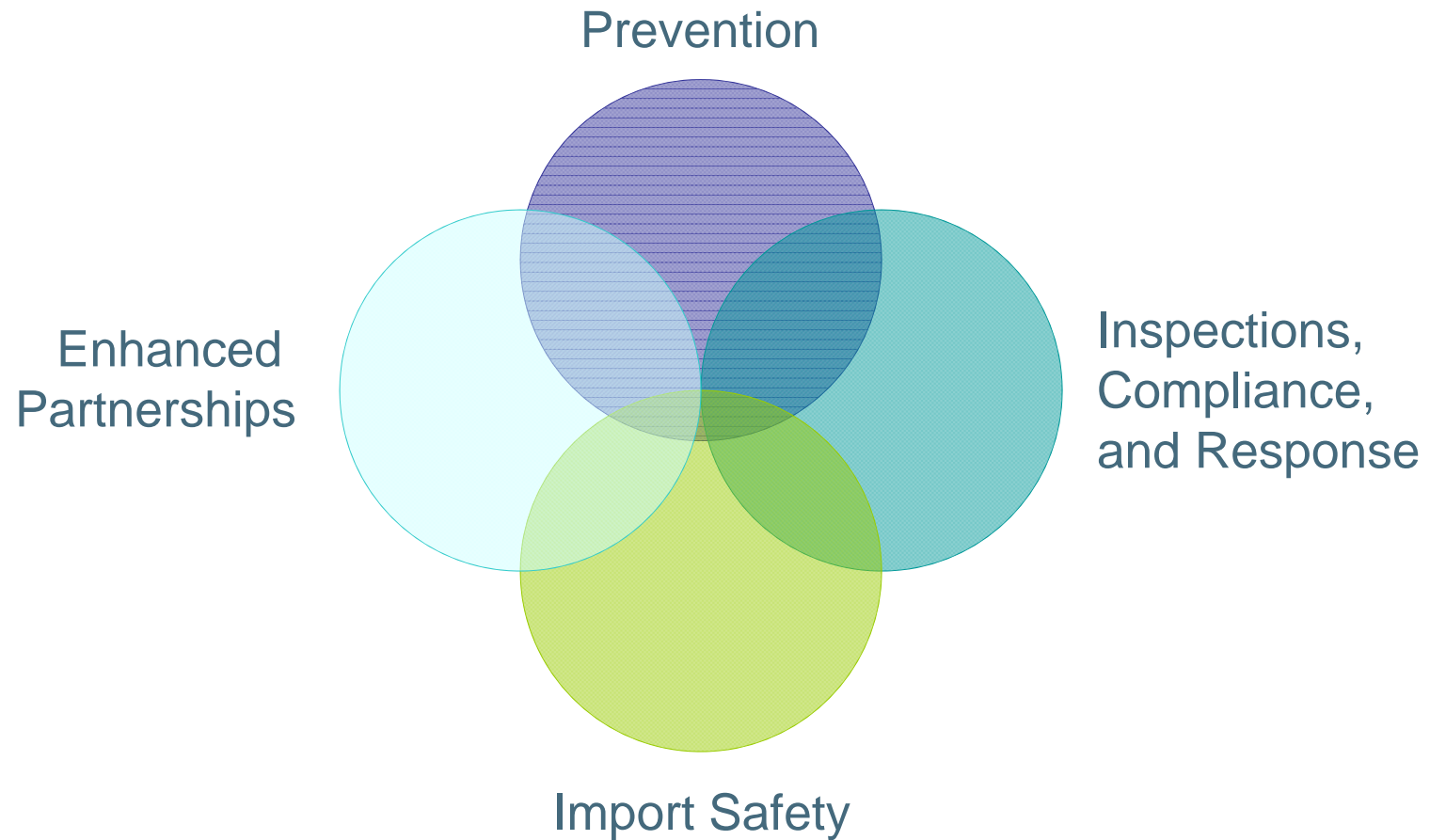
Integrated Food Safety System (IFSS)

- Jointly developed and implemented surveillance, inspection, and enforcement programs.
- Benefits:
 - Increased ability to assess potential risks at domestic food facilities.
 - More consistent coverage of these facilities across the entire food supply chain.
 - Greater food surveillance through integration of food facility inspection information.
 - Improved rapid response capacity and efficiency.
- **Outcome: Increased public health protection.**

Discussion Question

What are some of the barriers to an integrated food safety system?

Food Safety Modernization Act





Partnership for Food Protection

- Information Technology
- Laboratories
- National Standards
- National Workplan
- Oversight
- Performance Measures and Outcomes
- PETNet
- Policy and Procedures
- Response
- Training and Certification



What Can You Do Now?

IFSS Toolkit—Focus Areas

Integration of:

1. Communication
2. Roles and Responsibilities
3. Integration of Legal Authority
4. Resources
5. Emergency Response
6. Global Activities

Key Indicators of Integration

Where Do You Fit In?

