

# **FDA FACT SHEET**

# INTEGRATED LABORATORY SYSTEM TO ADVANCE THE SAFETY OF HUMAN AND ANIMAL FOOD COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT PROGRAM

### **Program Description**

- Enhance the nation's food safety, as directed by the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA).
- Support and enhance human and animal food testing laboratory activities.
- Offer trainings, workshops, meetings and other educational resources.
- Conduct research on national testing capability and capacity.
- Prepare best practices and other guidance manuals.
- Improve communication among regulatory and public health partners.

#### **Intended Outcomes**

- Advance the goal of a national food safety system by supporting and enhancing state human and animal food testing laboratories tasked with surveillance and emergency response testing, including investigations of foodborne disease outbreaks.
- Provide the additional support to these laboratories through the activities of an association that will conduct research on national testing capability and capacity.
- Develop best practices and other guidance manuals.
- Offer trainings, workshops, meetings, and other educational resources.
- Support ISO/IEC 17025 laboratory accreditation for non-accredited laboratories.

## **Program Metrics**

Current program funding: \$419,606

Current number of awards: 1

#### **ILS CAP Awardees FY2022**

Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL)

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