

# Food Safety and Inspection Service AFDO Healthy People 2030: Reducing salmonellosis

#### **Overview**

- AFDO established a committee to address the Healthy People 2030 Goal of Reducing Foodborne Diseases
  - Presentation focuses on reducing salmonellosis
- Salmonella Workgroup established
- Charge is under development
- Timeframe: Recommendations to be published in the next 2 years



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- Goal: Develop recommendations that will result in a reduction in salmonellosis associated with chicken
  - Contribute to meeting the Healthy People 2030 goal of <11.1 cases of salmonellosis per 100,000 population
  - Address the Salmonella antimicrobial resistance (AMR) goal
- Scope: Address contamination at all points along the chicken supply chain, both pre-harvest and post-harvest
  - Consider a "One Health" approach
- Need to develop a focused charge for the workgroup
- Held a symposium on control of Salmonella in chicken



# Food Safety and Inspection Service Salmonella Workgroup Members

- Denise Eblen, USDA FSIS WG Chair
- Samuel Crowe, CDC
- Sandra Eskin, USDA Office of Food Safety (formerly Pew Charitable Trusts)
- Craig Hedberg, University of Minnesota
- Ernest Julian, Rhode Island Department of Health (Retired)
- Sheryl Shaw, USDA FSIS
- Sarah Sorscher, Center for Science in the Public Interest
- Hillary Thesmar, Food Marketing Institute
- Roberta Wagner, Consumer Brands Association
- Isabel Walls, USDA FSIS
- Hillary Whitham, CDC
- Martin Wiedmann, Cornell University
- Beth Wittry, CDC

### Food Safety and Inspection Service Framework for addressing issue

### Prevention/intervention strategies

 What strategies are effective at preventing contamination/ reducing Salmonella in poultry?

### Detection/attribution methods

- Do we have appropriate detection methods for Salmonella in poultry?
- Do we have appropriate attribution methods?

### Education/communication strategies

- Are best practices being communicated to those who need to know them?
- How can we improve outreach?

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#### AFDO Symposium May 14, 2021

- Presentations on the key issues related to reducing salmonellosis in chicken
- Setting the stage
  - Consumption of poultry is a major way people get Salmonella infections - Patricia Griffin, CDC - 30 minutes
  - Salmonella associated with chicken meat overview Kis Robertson Hale, FSIS
- Each additional presentation answered the following question:

What one strategy will have the most impact in reducing salmonellosis?

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- Prevention/intervention strategies
  - Pre-harvest strategies to control Salmonella Kim Cook, ARS
  - European experience with controlling Salmonella Kris De Smet, European Commission
  - Vaccine approvals Connie Schmellik Sandage, APHIS
  - Industry experience with vaccination/other pre-harvest tools to control Salmonella in poultry — Bob O'Connor, Foster Farms
  - Animal feed as a source of Salmonella William Flynn, FDA CVM
- Post-harvest interventions, e.g., bacteriophage, irradiation, organic acids,
   etc. Ashley Peterson, NCC

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- Detection methods
  - WGS to identify virulence factors? What data do we have now to inform priority serotypes? – Martin Wiedmann, Cornell
  - Enumeration methods for Salmonella Dayna Harhay, ARS
- Education/communication strategies
  - Effective ways to communicate best practices that result in behavior change – Benjamin Chapman, NC State
  - Incentivizing stakeholders to adopt best practices (industry, retail, consumers) – Sandra Hoffman, ERS
  - Enterprise risk management financial risk Melanie Neumann, Neumann Risk Services

### Food Safety and Inspection Service Charge to the WG

#### **Next Step -**

- Develop science- and data-based recommendations, with action items, targeted at the reduction of Salmonella foodborne illness associated with chicken meat
  - Need to focus the charge to ensure it is manageable/will achieve goal



