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Publication of the 2022 FSAP Inspection Report Processing Annual Summary

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Today, the Federal Select Agent Program (FSAP) is pleased to announce the publication of its fifth annual joint-program analysis of inspection report timeliness data, the 2022 FSAP Inspection Report Processing Annual Summary.

Inspection reports play a critical role in ensuring the safety and security of work with select agents and toxins. Timely feedback following an inspection is essential so that FSAP can quickly get important information back to entities, therefore allowing the entities to promptly address any identified concerns.

The new FSAP analysis finds continued program success in providing timely feedback to entities following an inspection, with 100% of final inspection reports sent to entities in 2022 within the program's goal of 30 business days.

Key findings include the following:

- FSAP issued 193 final inspection reports in 2022, with 100% of those reports on time.
- The average time to issue a final report was 17 days.
- FSAP issued 1 immediate action observation, also within the target timeframe of 10 business days.

These data reflect the sixth consecutive year for CDC's Division of Select Agents and Toxins, and the fourth consecutive year for APHIS' Division of Agricultural Select Agents and Toxins, in which at least 95% of final inspection reports were issued on time. While the program is pleased by these results, FSAP will continue to track and analyze this data to ensure that entities receive timely feedback and to identify any necessary opportunities for improvement.

For more information, please see the full report, available here.