NAHLN Program Organization and Administration

Under the network structure illustrated below, two USDA agencies oversee and administer the NAHLN program. APHIS oversees the administration of the operational activities; the National Institute for Food and Agriculture (NIFA) supports infrastructure and personnel enhancements at State and university laboratories through a cooperative agreement funding mechanism. Both agencies measure and report NAHLN activities to USDA, provide both capacity-building for laboratory infrastructure and personnel at State laboratories and participate in the Executive Committee.

