



FDA and USDA/FAS Outreach Webinars for Industry Stakeholders on the Produce Safety Rule (PSR) and Foreign Supplier Verification Program (FSVP)

Targeted Audience:

English-Speaking Produce Stakeholders in the Caribbean and Latin America

Registration Dates & Information

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Description: In July 2020, FDA published the New Era of Smarter Food Safety Blueprint, which applies to imported produce. Core Elements 2 (smarter tools and approaches for prevention and outbreak response) and 4 (food safety culture) are especially relevant. These core elements build on work that the FDA has done to implement FSMA regulations including the Produce Safety Rule (PSR) and Foreign Supplier Verification Program (FSVP).

The FSMA Produce Safety Rule (PSR) establishes science-based minimum standards for safe production and harvesting of fresh fruits and vegetables. Farms that export certain fresh fruits and vegetables to the United States may be subject to the PSR. The FSMA Foreign Supplier Verification Programs for Food Importers (FSVP) rule requires importers to verify that foreign farms are in compliance with the PSR.

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