

COFEPRIS




FEDERAL COMMISSION FOR THE PROTECTION FROM SANITARY RISK

EMERGENCY RESPONSE MANAGEMENT

SPECIAL PROGRAMS EXECUTIVE DIRECTORATE

4-6 MAY, 2010

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COFEPRIS

- Governmental office under the Ministry of Health with technical, administrative and functional autonomy, which makes it a de-concentrated organization.
- Its authority comprises regulation, control and sanitary promotion under a unique coordination, operated by processes.

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Mission

To protect the population from sanitary risks caused by the use and consumption of goods and services, as well as from exposure to environmental and occupational factors, through prevention, regulation and sanitary inspection.

Vision 2012

Mexico will have a reliable and efficient national authority for the protection against sanitary risks, outstanding for its technical, operational and regulatory capacity, as well as for its commitment to the human and professional development of its personnel.

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OUR MAIN OBJECTIVES

- Offer suitable protection to the population.
- Collaborate on competitiveness improvement of the industries in order to direct them into the foreign trade stream.
- Prevent conflicts for the national productive industry.

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Institutional Framework

Assessment, regulation, control, surveillance and analysis of RISKS related to:

1. Food <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Processed goods ➢ Slaughter houses ➢ Mollusk shellfish ➢ Red tide ➢ Genetically modified organisms 	2. Health Products <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Drugs ➢ Pharmacovigilance ➢ Expired and counterfeit drugs 	3. Medical Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Infectious and pathologic hospital residues ➢ Transplant centers ➢ Blood bank ➢ Tissues
4. Other products and services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Tobacco ➢ Alcohol ➢ Cosmetics ➢ Cleaning products ➢ Sanitary control of publicity 	5. Sanitary Emergencies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Basic Sanitation 	6. Occupational Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Radiological Protection ➢ Pesticides
		7. Environmental <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Air ➢ Water ➢ Soil

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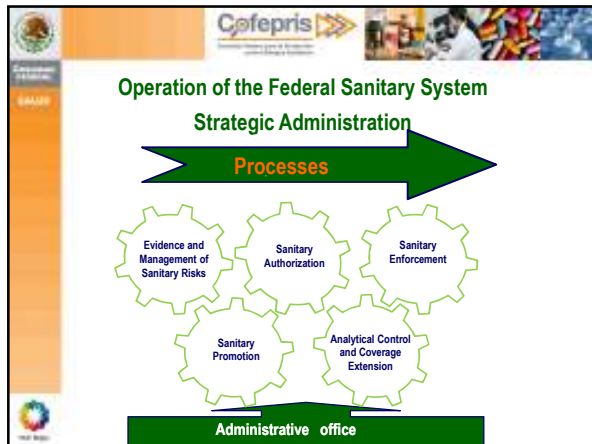
ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

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      L1[Linkage with National and International organizations and the local governments]
      L2[Linkage with Congress and with the Judiciary]
      TS[TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT]
      R[Reception of proceedings and attention to customers]
      E[Evaluation of risk and sanitary risk Management policies]
      C[Communication with the private sector and general population. Training]
      I[Issuing of licenses and registries]
      M[Monitoring and inspection of establishments and products]
      L3[Laboratory analysis and certification of third parties]
      A[Administration of financial, human and material resources]

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EMERGENCY ATTENTION PROJECT

BACKGROUND

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTION OF SPECIAL PROGRAMS OPERATES THIS PROJECT OF EMERGENCY ATTENTION PROJECT. IT STARTED IN 2003. IT IS, OF COURSE AN IMPORTANT AND VITAL ACTIVITY AT SANITARY ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

OBJECTIVE

TO GUARANTEE THAT THE SYSTEMS, PROCEDURES AND RESOURCES ARE EFFICIENT AND SUFFICIENT.

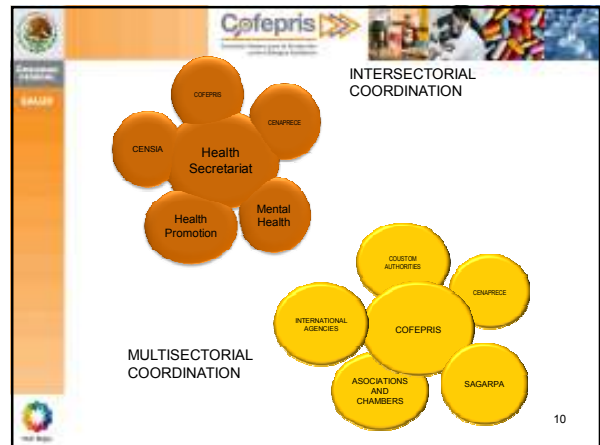
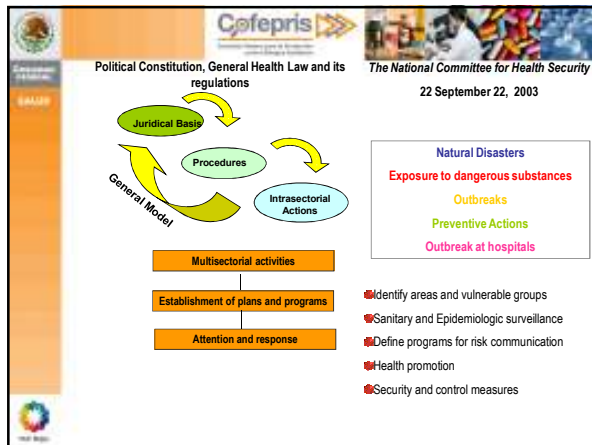
TO PROVIDE WITH A QUICK AND PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE

IMPACT INDICATOR

PROTECTED POPULATION

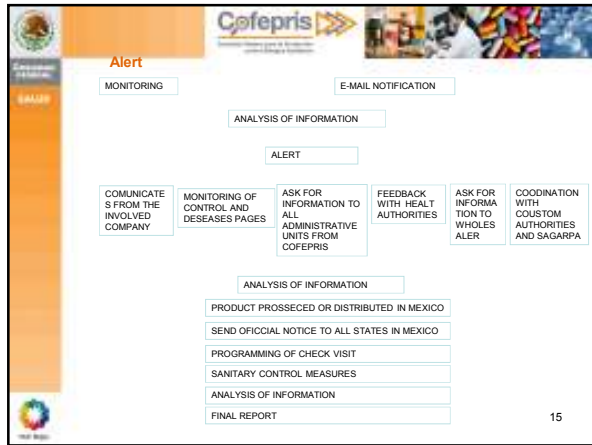
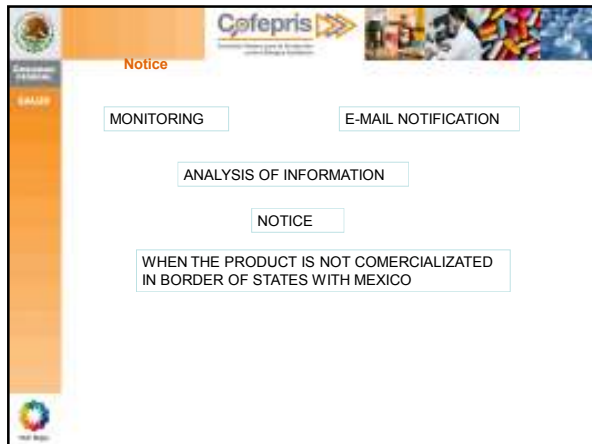
MEXICAN POLITICAL CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 4.- "ALL CITIZENS HAVE THE RIGHT TO HEALTH PROTECTION"



- Organization and Response**
- Coordination with all administrative areas from COFEPRIS**
 - Evidence and Risk Management Commission
 - Sanitary Promotion Commission
 - Sanitary Authorization Commission
 - Sanitary Enforcement Commission
 - Analytic Control and Expansion of Coverage Commission
 - General Coordination of the Federal Sanitary System
 - Coordination with other Authorities**
 - National Center of Preventive Programs and Disease Control (CENAPRECE y DGEpi)
 - Customs Authorities (SAT)
 - Secretary of Agriculture, Livestock Production, Rural Development, Fishery and Food (SAGARPA, SENASICA)
 - Coordination with Chambers and associations**
 - National Association of Department Stores (ANTAD, ASACHOC, ETC.)
 - National Association of Drug Stores (ANAFARMEX)
 - Self Services Stores (COSTCO, WALMART)
 - Others**
 - Importers (CUSTOM AGENTS)
 - Direct contact with sellers

- Procedure for the attention of sanitary alerts**
- Monitoring of several web pages including news and Health Authorities from other countries.
 - Reception of e-mails from FDA, USDA, CFIA, Health Canada. RASFF, INFOSAN
 - Classifies the e-mails from other countries in to:
 - Notice
 - Warning
 - Alert
 - Investigation in web pages
 - Official health pages
 - Producers or sellers pages



EXAMPLES

- MELAMINE IN MILK PRODUCTS FROM CHINA 2007
- *Salmonella Saintpaul* IN TOMATOES FROM MEXICO 2008
- *E. Coli H7:O157* IN GROUND BEEF FROM USA 2009
- *Salmonella Typhimurium* IN PEANUT BUTTER USA 2009

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Melamine in milk products


- After the report from INFOSAN were babies get ill for the consumption of infant formula COFEPRIS ask CENAPRECE for cases and did not report any case of illness.
- COFEPRIS did 10,485 visits and did not find infant formula from China.
- COFEPRIS secured the profit of 700 kg of white rabbit candy, 12 kg of cookies and 120 pieces of chocolate.
- COFEPRIS analyzed 5 samples of candy and no traces of melamine were found.
- In February 1, 2009 the restriction of the imported products from China was ended.

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SALMONELLA SAINTPAUL IN TOMATOES FROM MEXICO

- FDA reports 57 cases of salmonellosis associated to the consumption of tomatoes from Mexico.
- CENAPRECE did not report any cases of illness associated to the products.
- FDA, SAGARPA and COFEPRIS worked coordinated to make inspection visits at harvest fields and packing companies, they took samples from water, products, surfaces and farmland in 4 companies in different states of Mexico.
- Less than 10% out of 130 samples taken, resulted whit the presence of *Salmonella*, but not *Saintpaul* specie.
- FDA said that tomatoes in the market were not associated to the outbreak and therefore a new warning for jalapeños and chile serrano was launched
- The institutions worked coordinated again and visited 3 companies and took similar samples from tomatoes.
- As a result of different visits and analysis, specific evidence from *Salmonella Saintpaul* was not found.
- Mexico reiterated its cooperation and its support by allowing these investigations.
- Several companies were put on the white list because FDA found *Salmonella* however *Saintpaul* specie was *never* found.


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E. Coli H7:O157 IN GROUND BEEF FROM USA

- After SAGARPA's notification about the recall of ground beef in the USA.
- CENAPRECE did not report any cases of illness
- COFEPRIS did 35 visits and did not find any products for sale
- COFEPRIS had found that 2 companies processed meat in Mexico and both companies had acquired this meat, but in different plants from the involved company.
- The USA Embassy sent a document giving guaranties of safety products.
- COFEPRIS and SAGARPA worked coordinated with USDA to make an inspection at the involved plant of the recall of such product .
- SAGARPA has developed a program for the sample taking from imported beef.

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SALMONELLA TYPHIMURIUM IN PEANUT BUTTER FROM USA

- CENAPRECE did not report any cases of illness associated to the consumption of the product.
- COFEPRIS asked the customs authorities to deny the entrance of products that contain peanut butter from USA.
- COFEPRIS did 2,396 visits and did not find any products for sale from the FDA list
- COFEPRIS designed an importation scheme so every company has to notify the entrance of products with previous documental analysis. Then COFEPRIS takes samples of products for the *Salmonella* test. When the importer accumulates 10 negative sample results the scheme changes from 1 to 5 shipments
- Under this scheme, 4 companies are operating at this moment
- There has been 94 negative results to *Salmonella* so far.
- In this moment the importation scheme is in evaluation for improvement.

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THANK YOU

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