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Governmental food safety professionals (FSPs) play a critical role in verifying that the food industry is fulfilling its responsibilities. Without the ability to accurately estimate the FSP workforce, potential concerns arise regarding the effectiveness of the U.S. food safety system.

In this month's feature article, "Governmental Food Safety Professional Workforce Estimation Model," a new model is introduced that provides a better understanding of the estimated number of FSPs within various nonfederal government agencies. The model can aid in the allocation of federal resources to fill gaps in staffing and competency-based training, as well as increase awareness of the need for and access to standardized training for FSPs.

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