

# Veterinary Services Information Management System (VSIMS) FACT SHEET

**VSIMS is a global tri-Service data application providing oversight, tracking, management, and analytic functions to ensure a safe food supply for DOD Warfighters and beneficiaries through food protection (food safety + food defense) programs.**

The system governs all activities associated with oversight and approval of commercial suppliers of food items, ensuring healthy consumption by service members and their families. It maintains the DOD Worldwide Directory of Sanitarily Approved Food Establishments for Armed Forces Procurement and regulates the response to hazardous Subsistence Recalls providing worldwide notification and documenting removal from the DOD supply system.

## **Other Capabilities:**

- Administers the Installation Support Plan program on military bases using 12 food and facility inspection types (sanitation walk-through, refrigeration failure, approved source verification), safeguarding food during handling and storage
- Oversees inspections of animal boarding facilities, ensuring proper management, disease, and injury prevention
- Manages reports from three assembly plants and Operational Rations inspection reports for 13 ration types (pre-packaged ready to eat meals, packaged meals tailored to weather or altitude conditions, meal modules specially packaged for small groups), enforcing quality control and safeguarding military personnel
- Manages Food and Water Risk Assessments for DOD missions and operational exercises, notifying the decision authority of potential risks



## **Key Features**

- Principal application for capturing food protection and veterinary public health information
- Agile processes allow fast delivery of updates to keep pace with evolving missions

## **Key Benefits**

- Delivers powerful data management at a comparatively low cost
- Immediate delivery of mission data to chain of command and customers
- Seamlessly handles worldwide information at over 700 U.S. military bases and deployed locations
- Continuous access to mission critical data for users

VSIMS is managed by the **Solution Delivery Division** Health Services Support Program Management Office.