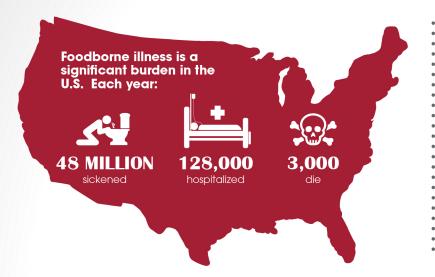
FOOD SAFETY MODERNIZATION ACT

The **FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA)**, the most sweeping reform of our food safety laws in more than 70 years, was signed into law by President Obama on January 4, 2011. Its aim is to ensure the U.S. food supply is safe by shifting the focus from responding to contamination to preventing it.



Immune compromised individuals are more susceptible to foodborne illnesses:









CHILDREN

PREGNANT WOMEN

ELDERLY

SICK

5 KEY AREAS OF FSMA

PREVENTATIVE CONTROLS

Minimize risk; taking a proactive instead of reactive approach

1ST

time the FDA has been given a mandate to require prevention-based controls

INSPECTION & COMPLIANCE

Accountability and responsibility to produce safe food



Increased food inspection frequency. The law specifies how offen FDA should inspect food producers

IMPORTED FOOD SAFETY

Imported foods must meet US standards

15% of food supply is imported



60% of fruits and vegetables



RESPONSE

FDA will have mandatory recall authority

1ST

time the FDA will have this authority

ENHANCED PARTNERSHIPS

Strengthen existing collaboration among all food safety agencies

