

■ Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion

The Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion was established in December 1994 to provide direction and coordination for USDA's nutrition research and policy activities. The center helps enhance the nutritional status of Americans by linking scientific research to the nutritional needs of the American consumer. It translates nutrition research into information and materials for health professionals, private companies, and consumers, to increase public knowledge and understanding of the importance of nutrition.

The Center is an independent resource in USDA, working cooperatively with other parts of the Department to provide strategic planning and coordination for nutrition policy. The Center's director reports to the Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, and receives managerial and administrative support from FCS. The Center's funding is \$2.2 million for FY 1995.