

Biography

Dr. Daniel G. McChesney is the Director of the Office of Surveillance and Compliance in FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine. He has served in this position since October 2003. Prior to becoming the Director, he served as the Deputy Director for the Office of Surveillance and Compliance (1999-2003) and as the Acting Director of the Division of Compliance. His Office is responsible for developing and implementing surveillance and compliance policy concerning FDA regulatory responsibility with respect to animal drugs, feeds, food additives, veterinary medical devices, and other veterinary medical products. He joined FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM) as a microbiologist in 1990 and served as the Center's expert on microbial contaminants of animal feed, and application of HACCP programs to the feed industry.

He received a bachelor's of science in Biology from Mercer University in Macon, Georgia and his master's degree and Ph.D. in Cell and Molecular Biology from the Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, Ga. Upon completing his degree, he entered the U.S. Army and was stationed at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research (1978-1987) where he served as a research microbiologist. After completing his active military service, he was a senior investigator at the Armed Forces Radiobiology Research Institute responsible for determining the mechanism involved in increasing survival after radiation injury.