



HUMAN RELIABILITY

Being reasonably sure that the people working in our laboratories and facilities are trustworthy.



NATIONAL SECURITY CLASSIFICATIONS

- Access to classified documents.
- Attend meeting where classified material is discussed.



PUBLIC TRUST RISK LEVELS (Personnel Suitability Levels)

- Low Risk-potential for limited impact on agency program or mission.
- Moderate Risk-moderate to serious impact (law enforcement, policy implementation, position demands trust).
- High Risk-exceptionally serious impact (policy making, major program responsibility, independent action).

BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS

- *NACI*- National Agency Check with Inquiry.
- *ANACI*- Access National Agency Check with Inquiry.
- *MBI*- Minimum Background Investigation.
- *LBI*- Limited Background Investigation.
- *BI*- Background Investigation.



REQUIREMENTS FOR BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS

- BSL-3 Moderate or High Risk Levels (escorted).
- Select Agents DOJ background investigations against data base (escorted).
- All other facilities- low or moderate risk (no escorting required).

All positions at USDA facilities will eventually have these requirements, USDA and Non -USDA personnel.

Rule in Federal Register.



NON-CITIZENS

- USDA suspended sponsorship of Visas on February 27, 2002.
- Non-citizens with valid visas can continue to work in USDA facilities.
- Restricted countries- State Department List.
- USDA is working with other government agencies to obtain access to a system(s) that will provide adequate background information.



OSTP PROGRAMS

- SEVIS- Student Exchange Visitor Information System (INS)
- IPASS- Inter-agency Panel on Advanced Science and Security