

Tips and Insights to Prepare for Sanitary Survey Inspections

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Sanitary Surveys (SSs) don't happen every day. In fact, these comprehensive, EPA mandated, reviews of Public Water Systems (PWSs) only occur every few years depending on your facility size and District policy.

As with any inspection, especially one that covers years of operation, Sanitary Surveys can be a little daunting for utilities anxious to put their best foot forward. Now there is a new training tool aimed at helping Florida's PWS operators do just that.

"TIPSSI" (Tips and Insights to Prepare for Sanitary Survey Inspections) was developed by FDEP, in coordination with Florida Rural Water Association. The PowerPoint presentation contains a plethora of tips and insights designed for any PWS. Each slide includes "instructor notes" so TIPSSI can easily be presented in-house and customized to meet your specific needs and time-frames (such as "just-in-time training" for facility staff right before your next Sanitary Survey is due).

The new Sanitary Survey training tool is available on the DEP Drinking Water website, http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/drinking_water/info.htm#pws, free for all PWSs.

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- What to expect
- What to have on hand
- What to check

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