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## **Local Startup, Presage Analytics, Develops COVID-19 Tracking Software for Meat Processing Facilities**

Lincoln, NE -- Presage Analytics, a Lincoln, NE startup founded in 2013, announced their initial release of a COVID-19 traceability module to their software package. The software update will allow food processing facilities, including meat processors in Nebraska, to implement and track COVID-19 CDC best-practices in their facilities.

“When I saw the number of cases growing at meat processing facilities in Nebraska and neighboring states, I knew that we had to do what we could to help keep workers safe,” said Gwyn Evans, Presage Product Director.

“We work with large national food processing companies to ensure that they have the data they need to keep their production lines and workers safe,” continued Evans. “This was taking the best practices from the CDC and applying it to what we are already doing.”

Presage Analytics piloted their software five years ago in partnership with local food processing plant, SmartChicken. The software tracks microbial counts on production lines and uses predictive analysis to identify areas that need decontamination before they become a problem.

“Keeping frontline workers and consumers safe is what made this an interesting partnership with NUTech Ventures and professors at the University of Nebraska Lincoln,” said Matthew Wegener, President of Presage Analytics.

“We moved our team as quickly as possible to start coming up with solutions to help keep workers safe on production lines for our state and our community,” continued Wegener.

The Presage COVID-19 module provides expanded tracing capabilities, helping ensure worker and facility safety during the pandemic. It uses a mobile friendly interface to help facilities screen employees and visitors based on CDC guidelines. It also allows companies to track sanitation and incidents throughout the facility to map and visualize the movement of employees throughout the facility.

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Presage Analytics software was designed in the Food Safety department at the University of Nebraska. Presage serves some of the largest independent food and beverage manufacturers in the United States. Presage was founded in 2013 and is headquartered in Lincoln, NE.