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From: Jillings, Lee Anne - OSHA
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2021 4:24 PM
To: Grossman, Elizabeth - OSHA
Cc: (b) (6); Lillquist, Dean - OSHA
Subject: FW: CISC Letter: Concerns with OSHA's FAQs Regarding COVID-19 Vaccine Adverse Reactions

Good afternoon Liz

Thanks for your work on the FAQ and getting it posted. Scott reached out to the inquirers to update them on the posting. Please see the below exchange and will you please coordinate to see if CCU can now close out the CISC letter assigned to us based on the below emails.

Thanks

Lee Anne

From: Kevin Cannon <kevin.cannon@agc.org>
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2021 3:35 PM
To: Ketcham, Scott - OSHA <Ketcham.Scott@dol.gov>; rmatuga <rmatuga@nahb.org>; Brad Mannion <Mannion@abc.org>
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Subject: RE: CISC Letter: Concerns with OSHA's FAQs Regarding COVID-19 Vaccine Adverse Reactions

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Thanks for the notice, Scott, and your assistance in facilitating the meeting. Very positive development!

From: Ketcham, Scott - OSHA <Ketcham.Scott@dol.gov>
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Subject: RE: CISC Letter: Concerns with OSHA's FAQs Regarding COVID-19 Vaccine Adverse Reactions

Good afternoon Rob, Kevin, and Brad:

The agency has re-evaluated the FAQ on recording adverse reactions related to COVID-19 vaccinations. See below and the [link](#) related to the change made this afternoon on the OSHA public webpage.

Are adverse reactions to the COVID-19 vaccine recordable on the OSHA recordkeeping log?

DOL and OSHA, as well as other federal agencies, are working diligently to encourage COVID-19 vaccinations. OSHA does not wish to have any appearance of discouraging workers from receiving COVID-19 vaccination, and also does not wish to disincentivize employers' vaccination efforts. As a result, OSHA will not enforce 29 CFR 1904's recording requirements to require any employers to record worker side effects from COVID-19 vaccination through May 2022. We will reevaluate the agency's position at that time to determine the best course of action moving forward.

Thank you,

Scott

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From: Robert Matuga <RMatuga@nahb.org>
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Scott,

I just wanted to thank you again for quickly responding to our Construction Industry Safety Coalitions' (CISC) letter regarding OSHA's Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on vaccinations. We know that you are extremely busy and really appreciate you and the OSHA team hearing our concerns. We thought it was a good and productive discussion. Getting construction workers vaccinated is a huge priority now for CISC members and the construction industry as a whole. Any further clarity or enforcement discretion that can be provided by OSHA regarding recordability in this area would be welcome.

Should you have any other questions or would like to discuss the CISC's concerns further, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Thanks again!

Regards,

Rob

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