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Via email: foia@sirillp.com

Dear Ms. Brehm:

This letter is our final response to your Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC/ATSDR) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of September 28, 2020, assigned #20-02418-FOIA, for:

“Documents sufficient to reflect that acellular pertussis vaccines, while reducing symptoms from pertussis, do not prevent infection and transmission.”

Published scientific literature was used to inform the sentence in question ("Acellular pertussis vaccines may not prevent colonization (carrying the bacteria in your body without getting sick or spread of the bacteria."). For administrative convenience and to fully respond to your request, program staff have provided examples of literature that support the content of this sentence below.

Acellular pertussis vaccines protect against disease but fail to prevent infection and transmission in a nonhuman primate model.

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/24277828/>

Pertussis Prevention: Reasons for Resurgence, and Differences in the Current Acellular Pertussis Vaccines

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/31333640/>

Reduced Severity of Pertussis in Persons with Age-Appropriate Pertussis Vaccination-United States, 2010-2012

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/29017283/>

If you need any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of the records provided please contact either our FOIA Requester Service Center at 770-488-6399 or our FOIA Public Liaison at 770-488-6277.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roger Andoh".

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