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Dear Mr. Aaron Siri:

Thank you for your May 11, 2026, letter regarding the annual influenza vaccine for Service members. Since this matter falls under my purview, I have been asked to respond.

It is Department practice to treat all Service members with dignity and respect and requires that the Military Departments follow all applicable policy. Retaliation will not be permitted against those who either elect to receive or elect not to receive a voluntary annual influenza vaccine.

Thank you for your continued support of our Service members and their families. I trust this information will be helpful in responding to your constituent.

Sincerely,

Lin H. St. Clair

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Acting Principal Director
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cc:

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