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SENT VIA EMAIL

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2nd Letter Subject: Final Response Letter

Dear Mr. Siri:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC/ATSDR) received your December 16, 2021, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request on December 16, 2021, seeking:

"Documents reflecting why the VAERS report attached [to original request] hereto is not currently available in VAERS."

A search of our records failed to reveal any documents pertaining to your request. The National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID) relayed that CDC has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), stating that *all VAERS inquires*, *FOIAs*, and congressional inquiries are addressed by FDA.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at 770-488-6277 for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Deputy Agency Chief FOIA Officer, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, Suite 729H, Washington, D.C. 20201. You may also transmit your appeal via email to FOIARequest@psc.hhs.gov. Please mark both your appeal letter and envelope "FOIA Appeal." Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted by May 16, 2022.

Sincerely,

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CDC/ATSDR FOIA Officer

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