

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta GA 30333

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Alison Young USA TODAY 7950 Jones Branch Drive McLean, Virginia 22108

Dear Ms. Young:

This letter is in 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 January 6, 2015, pertaining to reports of incidents [such] as spills, needle sticks, animal bites, potential or actual releases or infections, and lab or PPE equipment failures.

Program staff within the Office of Infectious Diseases inform me that a search for records as described above would likely result in thousands of records and a slower processing time. In an effort to expedite your CDC/ATSDR FOIA request, we would like to offer you 14 pages, which contain redacted summaries of CDC clinic and program lab incidents from 2013-2014. If you are amenable to accepting these records as a final response, please let us know and we will send these records to you immediately.

Alternatively, you may wish to use the summary to identify the clinic and/or program lab incidents of greatest interest to you so that we may conduct a search for those particular records.

If neither of these options work for you, and you would like to resume the original scope of your CDC/ATSDR FOIA request, please let us know.

We look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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