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Request

Request ID	581726
Confirmation ID	581186

Request description

Sometime between 2019 and 2021, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) determined that COVID-19 testing should be required for unvaccinated employees, including federal employees, and undeclared (those that refused to reveal their vaccination status) employees. The Safer Federal Workforce Task Force (the Task Force) subsequently made COVID-19 testing of unvaccinated and undeclared employees a requirement for staff to work on federal facilities. Please provide a copy of the determination that testing of unvaccinated, and undeclared employees should be a “considered” or a requirement. Please see the quotation below from Interim Guidance for SARS-CoV-2 Testing in Non Healthcare Workplaces (last visited 14 February 2023), updated Oct. 5, 2021. When to consider screening testing Screening testing in non-healthcare settings of unvaccinated workers without known or suspected exposure to SARS-CoV-2 may be useful to detect COVID-19 early and stop transmission quickly, particularly in areas with community COVID-19 indicators in the moderate to high categories (Table 2, Table 3). Additionally, please provide citations for the peer reviewed or similar Journal articles or published research supporting CDC decision to “consider” or required COVID-19 testing of unvaccinated and undeclared employees. I am a Certified Industrial Hygienist and Certified Professional Environmental Auditor in Health and Safety and published author. I will be utilizing this information to write and publish an article on COVID-19 as it relates to employee health ad safety. I will not profit from the publication of this article or the use of the information in any manner. Thank you. Sincerely, Brian Brass, MS, CIH, CPEA

Supporting documentation

Fees

Request category ID

media

Fee waiver

yes

Explanation

I am a Certified Industrial Hygienist and Certified Professional Environmental Auditor in Health and Safety and published author. I will be utilizing this information to write and publish an article on COVID-19 as it relates to employee health ad safety. I will not profit from the publication of this article or the use of the information in any manner.

Willing to pay

\$100

Expedited processing

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yes

Explanation

The People of the United States need to know this information.



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

March 13, 2023

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XXXX, CO XXXX
Via email: XXXX@yahoo.com

Dear XXXX:

This letter is in response to your attached Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC/ATSDR) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of February 14, 2023. You clarified your request in the attached email.

A search of our records failed to reveal the specified document and supporting citations you seek.

You may contact our FOIA Public Liaison at 770-488-6246 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 to the Deputy Agency Chief FOIA Officer, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, via the online portal at <https://requests.publiclink.hhs.gov/App/Index.aspx>. Please mark both your appeal letter and envelope "FOIA Appeal." Your appeal must be electronically transmitted by June 12, 2023.

Sincerely,

Roger Andoh
CDC/ATSDR FOIA Officer
Office of the Chief Operating Officer
(770) 488-6399
Fax: (404) 235-1852



February 15, 2023

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Via email: XXXX@yahoo.com

Dear Mr. XXXX:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (CDC/ATSDR) received your attached Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated February 14, 2023. Your request assigned number is 23-00716-FOIA, and it has been placed in our complex processing queue.

In unusual circumstances, an agency can extend the twenty-working-day limit to respond to a FOIA request.

We will require more than thirty working days to respond to your request because we reasonably expect that two or more CDC centers, institutes, and offices (C/I/Os) may have responsive records.

To process your request promptly, please consider narrowing the scope of your request to limit the number of responsive records. If you have any questions or wish to discuss reformulation or an alternative time frame for the processing of your request, you may contact the analyst handling your request Mark Harper at 770-488-8154 or our FOIA Public Liaison, Roger Andoh at 770-488-6277. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Services (OGIS) 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.

You requested that we expedite processing your request. Your request is denied because:

- You have failed to show that there is an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual.
- You have not demonstrated that you are a person primarily engaged in disseminating information.

You requested that we waive fees associated with processing your request, your request is denied because it doesn't meet the following criteria:

- You have failed to demonstrate that you disseminate information to the public.
- You have failed to provide enough information to warrant a waiver of fees.

Because you are considered a “Commercial requester,” you will be charged search, review and duplication fees. Duplication fees will be charged only if you choose to receive any responsive records in hard copy. (10 cents/page)

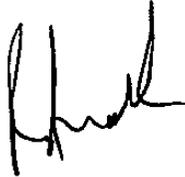
If you don’t provide us with a date range for your request, the cut-off date for your request will be the date the search for responsive records starts.

You have the right to appeal the agency’s expedited processing and/or fee waiver response to your request. You may file your appeal with the Deputy Agency Chief FOIA Officer, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, via the online portal at <https://requests.publiclink.hhs.gov/App/Index.aspx>. Your appeal must be electronically transmitted by May 16, 2023.

You may check on the status of your case on our FOIA webpage <https://foia.cdc.gov/app/Home.aspx> and entering your assigned request number. If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact me at 770-488-8154 or via email at wzj6@cdc.gov.

We reasonably anticipate that you should receive documents by May 8, 2023. Please know that this date roughly estimates how long it will take the Agency to close requests ahead of your request in the queue and complete work on your request. The actual date of completion might be before or after this estimated date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Andoh', written in a cursive style.

Roger Andoh
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