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**Subject:** RE: Privacy Impact Assessment for EIP - Follow-up

Dear Sonja,

I am writing to confirm that the core EIP surveillance projects – Active Bacterial Core Surveillance, FoodNet, flu, and healthcare associated infections – are non-research.

As you know, many discrete projects are funded through EIP using the EIP surveillance platform – some of which are research, and some of which are not. Every fall, I review the entire application for each state to identify all of the projects that are proposed to be funded in that cycle, confirm that they have either a non-research determination, or that they have IRB approval. Anything that is to be funded and that does not have a determination or IRB approval is noted on the human subjects tracking form as requiring a restriction on the funding.

All of the major project areas include both research and non-research activities, but I can at least confirm that the underlying surveillance programs for each project area – ABCs, FoodNet, flu, and HAIC are not research. Most predate our current documentation processes by QUITE a long time, so we do not have formal determinations for them – but they are long-standing and well-established surveillance systems that are widely recognized as being non-research, and I personally review them on an annual basis as part of the funding renewal.

Thank you,  
Laura

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