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IMPACT OF CWC ON DOD-BW VACCINE PROGRAM

ISSUE: Does the CWC require amendment so as to protect DOD's BW vaccine program?

SUB-ISSUE A: What is the likelihood of other toxins like botulinum toxin being placed on Schedule 1?

SUB-ISSUE B: Is toxin vaccine production considered "protective purposes" or "pharmaceutical purposes."

SUB-ISSUE C: (If "protective purposes") Does the CWC allow DOD to protect the sensitive areas of its vaccine production during data declaration and verification inspections?

SUB-ISSUE D: (If "pharmaceutical purposes")

(1) Does DOD require the ability to produce more than 250,000 series doses per year (equivalent to approximately 100 grams of pure botulinum toxin)?

(2) Can DOD use more than one production facility to meet the 100 gram threshold and thereby avoid inspections and data reporting?

(3) Does the CWC allow DOD to protect the sensitive areas of its vaccine production during data declaration and verification inspections so that it could limit its production to one facility and exceed the 100 gram threshold?

SUB-ISSUE E: What would be the impact of a USG proposal to amend the CWC text?

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