

# Blue Ribbon Panel Review Update on 2014 Variola Virus Incident

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# Timetable for BRP Activities

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Date	Activity
August 2016	BRP appointed; initial teleconference; discuss task, approach, and previous reports
October 28, 2016	Teleconference; discuss progress; review/document the incident and response
November 3, 2016	In person meeting; site visit, interviews; initial discussion of findings and policy updates since 2014
November 4, 2016	Update NSABB on progress
December 2016 – March 2017	Discuss findings; draft report
April 2017	Present final draft report to NSABB; finalize and submit to NIH