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So a couple of examples from the past I may not have shared with you, of my queries to CDC on their reporting. 2 months ago.

1) This was the report on SARS-CoV-2 Transmission and Infection among Attendees of an Overnight Camp — Georgia, June 2020

This was the opening statement in the MMWR which was meant to extrapolate this camp to schools to hit the administration on safe school re-open:

"Understanding transmission of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes coronavirus infectious disease 2019 (COVID-19), among youth is critical for developing guidance for schools and institutes of higher education. During June 17–20, an overnight camp in Georgia (Camp A) held orientation for trainees and staff; staff remained for the first camp session, scheduled from June 21–27, and were joined by campers and several senior staff on June 21."

I argued no camp where you crammed 25 kids per cabin and no mitigation is not the same as a school and here is their reply related to the key opening sentence...small victory but a victory nonetheless and yippee!!!:

"Dr. Alexander,

Many thanks for your comments. This report shares preliminary findings from an ongoing investigation... In response to thoughtful comments from CDC leadership and you, the opening sentence of Georgia's report has been reframed. "

2) This report was on a Rebound in Routine Childhood Vaccine Administration Following Decline During the COVID-19 Pandemic — New York City, March 1–June 27, 2020.

I wrote them because again, it was written to make the Mayor of NY look good and reflect badly on the administration as all their reports on COVID do (those that are not basic epi reports). See my input.

"The mayoral news conference May 20 is prior stated and makes it read as if the increase in vaccination was due to the Mayor (para) but based on the dates you reported, it should be placed after May 17 as the increase appears to be a result of the terrific consequence of public health partners etc. and those experts and not the Mayor (para)."...

Their response...claim it is a matter of "incongruence" but the key is they recognize that we are seeing the reporting:

"Dear Dr. Alexander, in response to your first comment on the NYC vaccination report, I see how the information in the summary appears incongruent."...

Best,

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