## In the United States Court of Federal Claims

## OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS No. 19-1191V UNPUBLISHED

EMILY BAILEY,

Petitioner,

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SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,

Respondent.

Chief Special Master Corcoran

Filed: December 8, 2020

Special Processing Unit (SPU); Ruling on Entitlement; Concession; Table Injury; Influenza (Flu) Vaccine; Shoulder Injury Related to Vaccine Administration (SIRVA)

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## **RULING ON ENTITLEMENT<sup>1</sup>**

On August 14, 2019, Emily Bailey filed a petition for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, 42 U.S.C. §300aa-10, *et seq.*<sup>2</sup> (the "Vaccine Act"). Petitioner alleges that she suffered a shoulder injury related to vaccine administration (SIRVA) as a result of an influenza vaccination on October 15, 2018. Petition at 1. The case was assigned to the Special Processing Unit of the Office of Special Masters.

On December 8, 2020, Respondent filed his Rule 4(c) report in which he concedes that Petitioner is entitled to compensation in this case. Respondent's Rule 4(c) Report at 1. Specifically, it is Respondent's position that Petitioner has satisfied the criteria set forth

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Because this unpublished ruling contains a reasoned explanation for the action in this case, I am required to post it on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002. 44 U.S.C. § 3501 note (2012) (Federal Management and Promotion of Electronic Government Services). **This means the ruling will be available to anyone with access to the internet.** In accordance with Vaccine Rule 18(b), Petitioner has 14 days to identify and move to redact medical or other information, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy. If, upon review, I agree that the identified material fits within this definition, I will redact such material from public access.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-660, 100 Stat. 3755. Hereinafter, for ease of citation, all "§" references to the Vaccine Act will be to the pertinent subparagraph of 42 U.S.C. § 300aa (2012).

in the Vaccine Injury Table and the Qualifications and Aids to Interpretation. *Id.* at 6. Respondent agrees that Petitioner had no relevant history of pain, inflammation, or dysfunction in her left shoulder; Petitioner's pain and reduced range of motion occurred within 48 hours of receipt of an intramuscular vaccination; Petitioner's symptoms were limited to the shoulder in which the vaccine was administered; and there is no other condition or abnormality identified to explain her symptoms. *Id.* 

In view of Respondent's position and the evidence of record, I find that Petitioner is entitled to compensation.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Brian H. Corcoran

Brian H. Corcoran Chief Special Master