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Dear Dr. Tilden:

Thank you and the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections for your recommendations related to the training of individuals involved in the review, oversight or conduct of human subjects research.

The Department welcomes the Committee's observations on this important topic and will give serious consideration to the Committee's recommendations.

Thank you and the Committee for your dedication and commitment to the protection of human research subjects. I look forward to future updates.

Sincerely,

Michael O. Leavitt