May 6, 1943

SUBJECT: Reported cases of mumps meningoencephalitis

TO: The Surgeon, Fort Sill, Oklahoma

1. With reference to the reported cases of mumps meningoencephalitis in Privates [redacted] and [redacted], it is requested that samples of the blood and spinal fluid on these patients be sent to the Army Medical School, Washington, D.C., as indicated in 360 Circular Letter No. 107, Subject: Laboratory aids in the diagnosis of neurotropic virus diseases. A copy of this Circular Letter is enclosed for your convenience.

2. First blood specimens should be accompanied by histories of the cases in quadruplicate, as indicated in Paragraph 2a (b) of Circular Letter No. 107.

3. For your information, Dr. Albert E. Sabin of the Children's Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio, a member of the Commission on Neurotropic Virus Diseases, "Board for the Investigation and Control of Influenza and Other Epidemic Diseases in the Army," may be consulted by mail, telephone or radio, concerning these and other cases of neurotropic virus diseases. He is also authorized to fly to any Army Post and perform post-mortem studies on these cases should these be necessary and it desired by the Surgeon.

By order of The Surgeon General:

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