Activity 3. Dr. Sabin’s letter to Dr. Lapp

Student Name _____________________________________________________________ Date __________________

March 19, 1956.

Dr. John Lapp,
Federal Reformatory,
Chillicothe, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Lapp:

I greatly appreciate your kindness in offering to check the enclosed lists and call the men together in Dr. MacKay’s absence. As I mentioned over the telephone, the chief information that would be desirable to have before calling the men, would be:

1. That they are at least 21 years of age;
2. That there is no contraindication to their service as volunteers from the administration point of view; and
3. That they will not be leaving the institution very shortly after April 12, and for that reason it would be helpful if the date of possible release be indicated on the sheet opposite the man’s name.

In accord with our agreement also, unless I hear from you to the contrary, I shall come to Chillicothe this coming Friday, March 23rd. At that time I should like to be able to inoculate nine volunteers with their first shot of Salk Vaccine. If there should be any questions at all about the lists or the arrangements, please telephone me collect at Av. L-6161, Line 331.

With many thanks and kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

ABS-mcg
Enclosure:
List of men acceptable
for test of April 13, in
triplicate.

Albert B. Sabin, M. D.

Letter to Dr. Lapp (describing the men needed for study)
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