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Dear Mr. Morganstein:

Thank you for your enthusiasm and interest in the Precision Medicine Initiative (PMI). Dr. Collins passed your letter along to me.

As you are aware, the NIH recently formed a PMI Working Group of the Advisory Committee to the NIH Director (ACD) charged with delivering a report to the ACD in September that articulates the vision for building the research participant cohort. To help inform the report, the Working Group will gather additional input from patient and stakeholder groups through a series of public workshops over the next several months on topics around precision medicine (e.g., electronic health records, mobile health technologies, research cohorts, participant preferences, and inclusion of minority and underserved populations). Dates for each of the PMI workshops are now posted on the NIH website: <a href="http://www.nih.gov/precisionmedicine/events.htm">http://www.nih.gov/precisionmedicine/events.htm</a>, and we will post additional information as it becomes available. All meetings will be webcast and will have opportunities for the public to register to participate in person, and I encourage you and other members of the American Statistical Association to join us.

Thanks again for reaching out and please stay tuned for updates.

Sincerely,

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