No. 22-35624

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

MALCOM JOHNSON, et al,

Plaintiffs-Appellants

v.

KATE BROWN; PATRICK ALLEN

Defendants-Appellees.

On Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Oregon No. 3:21-cv-01494-SI Hon, Michael H. Simon

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City of Chicago forced to rehire, pay lost wages to workers fired for refusing COVID vaccine mandate

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A Chicago judge recently ordered the city to rehire and pay lost wages to workers who were fired for refusing to comply with Democratic Mayor Lori Lightfoot's 2021 COVID vaccination mandate.

On April 19, administrative law Judge Anna Hamburg-Gal ruled that Chicago violated the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act by failing and refusing to bargain in good faith over COVID vaccine requirements for city workers.

The city was ordered to "make whole" unionized workers who refused the mandate and lost pay and benefits. The affected employees will also receive 7% annual interest on lost wages.

The order applies to city workers, including carpenters, bricklayers, plumbers, electricians, machinists, and operating engineers, represented by trade unions or by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

The judge's ruling does not affect police officers. However, the Fraternal Order of Police has its own pending case before the state board.

Lightfoot stated in 2022 that 16 police officers were placed on no-pay status after failing to abide by the vaccine mandate.

In response to the judge's recent ruling, AFSCME spokesperson Anders Lindall told the Chicago Sun-Times, "We think it's a strong decision and favorable for worker rights generally."

"At issue in this case is whether an employer has an obligation to bargain over significant changes to terms and conditions of employment," Lindall added.

A Chicago Federation of Labor spokesperson stated that the judge's order "defends the rights of workers to have a say in their workplace through collective bargaining."

The CFL said it is "hopeful that the full board will uphold the decision of the [judge] and the City will not seek to file exceptions."

Lightfoot announced in 2021 that all city employees must be fully vaccinated by October and warned that those who refused would face "consequences."

"Employees who fail to report their vaccination status by October 15, 2021, will be placed in a non-disciplinary, no pay status," the city stated in an October 2021 press release.

According to Hamburg-Gal's ruling, "multiple" city employees were placed on non-paid leave for missing the October deadline, and some were terminated.

In a statement to <u>Fox News Digital</u>, a spokesperson for the mayor's office said, "The record before the Administrative Law Judge tells a completely different story. Yesterday's ruling was an erroneous decision that does not follow the law, facts nor importantly the science. We are currently reviewing the ruling and evaluating next steps."

Lightfoot, the first Chicago mayor to lose a re-election bid in 40 years, will be replaced by Democrat Brandon Johnson on May 15.

Gov't Slammed with 500-Applicant Class-Action Lawsuit Over COVID Vaccine Injuries

Carson Choate April 29, 2023

A class-action lawsuit has been filed against the Australian government over allegations that it ignored severe side effects of the COVID-19 vaccine.

The <u>lawsuit</u> was filed Wednesday in federal court against the Commonwealth government, the Therapeutic Goods Administration and a number of government officials, according to news.com.au.

It was organized by Dr. Melissa McCann, a general practitioner from Queensland, who has raised over \$100,000 for the suit through crowdfunding.

Almost 500 people have reportedly applied to join the lawsuit, citing personal injury, health care expenses and other losses allegedly caused by adverse effects of the <u>COVID vaccine</u>.

The suit argues that the government's push to "advance the acceptance and use of the various approved Covid-19 vaccines constitutes negligence and/or misfeasance."

One of the lead members of the lawsuit, Gareth O'Gradie, 41, developed severe pericarditis after his vaccination in July 2021.

"Six days after [the vaccination] I had sudden-onset chest pain, shortness of breath, fever, chills, sweats," O'Gradie told the outlet. "I'd never known what a <u>heart attack</u> would feel like, but that's the type of thing I expected."

His condition was reportedly deemed vaccine-induced.

For the next 90 days, he was in and out of the hospital and unable to work. Despite going through various treatments, his pericarditis returned.

"It came back quite badly in February 2022 and I was in hospital for 35 days — that's when the surgery took place," O'Gradie said. "In the end I had open heart surgery to remove the pericardium, which had become inflamed and stuck to my heart. It's extreme."

O'Gradie said he is now left without the pericardial sac, which regulates the amount of blood that flows to the heart, resulting in permanent disabilities such as "severe shortness of breath and fatigue."



While O'Gradie expressed a belief that the government engaged in a "cover-up" to hide side effects of the vaccine, he noted that he is "totally not or never have been anti-vaccine."

Another lead member of the lawsuit, Anthony Rose, 46, has reportedly suffered from severe cognitive impairment and chronic fatigue ever since his vaccination.

In the 24 hours after receiving the COVID vaccine in October 2021, he began feeling "severe stabbing chest pains." That progressed to "serious neurological issues" in the following weeks, according to news.com.au. The exact cause of his symptoms has reportedly eluded doctors.

Despite once being a construction management worker and amateur MMA fighter, Rose said his body can now only handle three to four hours of light activity before his brain "just shuts down."

"I've only got a limited amount of function then it just completely shuts down with seizure-like activity — tics, tremors, my legs go, speech goes, vision goes," he said. "I've done everything — all sorts of red light therapies, hyperbaric chambers, functional neurologists where they had me on all sorts of machines — I've exhausted every medical avenue."

"I'm just treading water waiting to drown, basically," Rose said.

He went on to lament his inability to take care of his family, noting that he'll be "basically homeless" if and when the cost of rent goes up.

No number has yet been given specifying how much compensation is being sought by the lawsuit.



US Compensates People Injured By COVID-19 Vaccines For First Time APR 20, 2023 Zachary Steiber

The United States has <u>for the first time</u> paid people who were injured by COVID-19 vaccines.

Three people received compensation for their injuries through the Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP), run by an agency within the Department of Health and Human Services, officials said in <u>a new update</u>.

One person who suffered severe allergic shock received \$2,019, according to the agency, the Health Resources and Services Administration. One person who suffered heart inflammation, or myocarditis, received \$1,582. Another who suffered myocarditis received \$1,032.

The manufacturer of the vaccines was not made public. Information about the people who received the payments has also not been made public.

The payouts mark the first time the U.S. government has paid people who were injured by the COVID-19 vaccines, which can cause serious problems as well as death and were first introduced in late 2020.

Under the CICP, people who survive their vaccine-induced injury can receive money for unreimbursed medical expenses and lost employment income.

The newly granted compensation appears to only be for medical expenses, Wayne Rohde, author of The Vaccine Court, told The Epoch Times.

"These amounts are so low that you can credibly assume that this was just only for unreimbursed medical expenses, and that's it," Rohde said. "It's unconscionable what they're doing, but that's this program."

Most previous payments were for people injured by an H1N1 vaccine, including for Guillain-Barre syndrome. Some received hundreds or thousands of dollars. Eight received at least \$106,723. The highest payment on record is \$2.2 million.

The Health Resources and Services Administration, which runs the program, did not respond to requests for comment.

CICP

The CICP is the only venue people can get compensation from the federal government because of the COVID-19 emergency declaration first issued during the Trump administration. Most vaccines administered in the United States are covered by the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program. People who receive compensation through the latter are eligible for more money, in part because <u>more categories are covered</u>, have longer to file, and can have attorney fees covered. Read more here...



IN-DEPTH: US Officials Reject Compensation for People Diagnosed With COVID-19 Vaccine Injuries

By Zachary Stieber April 27, 2023 Updated: May 7, 2023

U.S. authorities rejected multiple people who sought compensation for COVID-19 vaccine injuries, despite diagnoses from doctors, documents show.

Letters from U.S. officials reviewed by The Epoch Times show officials contradicting doctors who treated patients as they turned down requests for payment.

Cody Flint, an agricultural pilot, was diagnosed by four doctors with a severe adverse reaction to Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine. Shortly after being vaccinated, Flint experienced intense head pressure, which led to problems such as perilymphatic fistula, the doctors said.

Flint sent a slew of medical files, including evidence of the diagnoses, to the U.S. Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP), which <u>compensates people</u> who prove they were injured by a COVID-19 shot.

But administrators for the program rejected Flint's application in a denial letter, saying they "did not find the requisite evidence that the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccination caused" the conditions from which he suffers.

Flint, in his 30s, felt his first symptoms within an hour of vaccination. An onslaught of severe symptoms followed while he was flying two days later.

"One second I went from having burning in the back of my neck and tunnel vision to the very next second I was slumped over in my airplane. The best way I know to describe it, it was like a bomb went off inside my head," Flint <u>said</u>.

CICP administrators told him that "compelling, reliable and valid medical and scientific evidence does not support a causal association between the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine and benign paroxysmal positional vertigo, perilymphatic fistulas, increased intracranial pressure, Eustachian tube dysfunction, hearing loss, or loss of eyesight."

They also tried to pin the problems on barotrauma. Colloquially known as airplane ear, barotrauma happens when air pressure suddenly changes, and is common as planes climb higher in the sky. Barotrauma causes the fistulas and symptoms of the fistulas "began while flying," administrators wrote. Flint and his doctors asserted in appeal letters that the barotrauma theory doesn't hold up because Flint flies low as he dusts crops. Flint's condition is "not from barotrauma," Flint's doctors told the CICP. "As an agricultural pilot, he does not fly more than a couple of hundred feet off the ground which is not of a magnitude to where he is at risk for barotrauma."

"Elevated intracranial pressure has been recognized as a complication of COVID vaccination, and given the sequence of events, more probable than not, it is the cause of Mr. Flint's elevated intracranial pressure, which had been documented on lumbar puncture," they added. "The elevated intracranial pressure led to his perilymphatic fistula. Elevated intracranial pressure is a cause for perilymphatic fistula and more probable."



The CICP determination was reviewed by a panel that sided with administrators. The panel found that the COVID-19 vaccine "did not cause Mr. Flint to develop bilateral perlympathic fistulas and related symptoms," Suma Nair, an administrator, told Flint in a final denial letter. "There is no compelling causal connection between the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine and the symptomology Mr. Flint experienced; the more likely cause of Mr. Flint's symptoms is trauma from flying a plane, which would have developed over time."

Administrators cited no studies or other evidence in their letters.

Flint said that the determination was wrong, pointing to a number of papers detailing post-vaccination intracranial and other neurological issues. He also noted <u>a study</u> that said intracranial pressure can cause perilymphatic fistulas.

Nair also said the panel concluded: "given the timeline of symptoms, it was not plausible for the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine to have caused the otologic and vestibular issues experienced by Mr. Flint." "It's just all comical to me," Flint told The Epoch Times. "I get the shot, I'm injured within 48 hours, and they say that that makes it implausible."

Difficulty Getting Compensation

The case highlights how people who experienced problems after vaccination have struggled to get money from the federal government, even when doctors diagnose vaccine injuries.

Flint is one of 76 people who were rejected as of April 1 because administrators determined they did not "show that a covered serious physical injury was sustained as the direct result of the administration" of a COVID-19 vaccine.

"The CICP may only make such determinations based on compelling, reliable, valid, medical and scientific evidence," the program says.

More than 8,100 applications, as of April 1, have been submitted to the CICP for compensation for a COVID-19 vaccine-induced injury or death. Three hundred and sixty-two in total have been turned down. Just 23 have been accepted. All but two are for a type of heart inflammation called myocarditis or a related condition known as pericarditis, both of which U.S. authorities say are caused by COVID-19 vaccination.

Documents on the denials and acceptances have been largely withheld from the public. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, successful in unearthing information about COVID-19 vaccine <u>safety</u>, have yielded few documents. Administrators located 652 records in response to one request seeking all claims and associated documents. They only released 52 heavily redacted documents, citing exceptions to FOIA. A similar request returned a single page that wasn't already public.

COVID-19 vaccine injuries fall under the CICP, a little-used program before the pandemic that was created by Congress in a 2005 bill, because of a Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act declaration entered during the Trump administration that has not yet been rescinded.



Most administered vaccines in the United States fall under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, enabling people with alleged or actual injuries to take their cases to federal judges in a no-fault system that paid out \$4.8 billion between 1988 and 2022.

Decisions on CICP petitions, in contrast, are decided by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)—the same agency that operates the program.

That "potentially creates a conflict of interest," researchers wrote in <u>a 2022 paper</u>, advising Congress to initiate major reforms by either relocating the program or allowing judicial review of determinations. Some members, including Sens. Cindy-Hyde Smith (R-Miss.) and Ron Johnson (R-Wis.) have expressed interest in reform but no bills have gained traction yet in the divided Congress.

People who apply to the CICP are only eligible for money for unreimbursed medical expenses and lost pay. Survivors of people who die can get death benefits. The National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program covers past and future healthcare costs, pain and suffering, lost earnings, and legal fees.

The CICP has paid just \$6 million to date, including $\underline{under $5,000}$ total to the only three people who were injured by COVID-19 vaccines and have been compensated.

HHS and HRSA did not respond to requests for comment.

'All These People Are Going to Get Denied'

Dr. Joel Wallskog was one of the first people to receive Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine. He got a shot on Dec. 30, 2020. Within days, he experienced symptoms including a loss of balance, headaches, and leg weakness.

"I was completely healthy, very active," Wallskog, 53, told The Epoch Times. "Now I take 20 medicines." Wallskog was diagnosed with transverse myelitis, or spinal cord inflammation. At least two doctors have concluded the injury was caused by the vaccine, records show.

Wallskog transmitted medical records and supplementary documents, such as <u>a study</u> from National Institutes of Health researchers that discussed reports of neuropathic symptoms following COVID-19 vaccination. The same researchers <u>diagnosed</u> multiple people with vaccine injuries. CICP administrators rejected Wallskog's petition.

"The current medical and scientific evidence does not show a causal link between the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine and transverse myelitis, other neuro-inflammatory disorders, myelopathy, or thrombotic disorders, including spinal cord infarction," Dr. George Reed Grimes, director of the HRSA's Division of Injury Compensation Programs, wrote in the denial letter.

"Furthermore, there is no evidence that your symptoms of lower extremity numbness and tingling with neck flexion, and chronic thoracic pain with weakness and numbness in your legs, is caused by the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine," he added.

Administrators did not note the doctors' diagnoses or cite any studies.



Landmark Case in Germany: BioNTech Faces Lawsuit Over COVID-19 Vaccine Side Effects

Jim Hoft June 12, 2023

Vials of the COVID-19 vaccine are seen at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Bethesda, Md., Dec. 14, 2020.

In a landmark development, BioNTech SE, the German biotechnology company that partnered with Pfizer Inc. to produce one of the first COVID-19 vaccines, is now facing its first legal challenge in Germany over vaccine side effects.

In an unprecedented case that could potentially spark hundreds of similar claims across Germany, the plaintiff – a woman who has chosen to remain anonymous due to Germany's privacy laws – is suing BioNTech for a minimum of €150,000 (\$161,500) in damages.

According to Reuters, she cites "damages for bodily harm as well as compensation for unspecified material damage," as detailed by Hamburg's regional court and the law firm representing her, Rogert & Ulbrich.

Side effects listed in the suit include upper-body pain, swollen extremities, fatigue, and sleeping disorders attributed to the BioNTech Pfizer vaccine.

The landmark case's first hearing will take place on Monday.

More lawsuits are coming in Germany. Rogert & Ulbrich reports filing about 250 cases for clients seeking damages for COVID-19 vaccine side effects. Another law firm, Caesar-Preller, claims to represent 100 cases, collectively covering almost all such cases in Germany. A few similar cases have been filed in Italy.

Reuters reported:

Tobias Ulbrich, a lawyer at Rogert & Ulbrich, told Reuters he aimed to challenge in court the assessment made by European Union regulators and German vaccine assessment bodies that the BioNTech shot has a positive risk-benefit profile.

German pharmaceutical law states that makers of drugs or vaccines are only liable to pay damages for side-effects if "medical science" shows that their products cause disproportionate harm relative to their benefits or if the label information is wrong.

BioNTech, which holds the marketing authorisation in Germany for the shot it developed with Pfizer <PFE.N>, said it concluded after careful consideration that the case was without merit.

"The positive benefit-risk profile of Comirnaty remains positive and the safety profile has been well characterised," the biotech firm said, referring to the vaccine's brand name.

It noted about 1.5 billion people had received the shot across the world, including more than 64 million in Germany.

The European Medicines Agency (EMA) also claimed that BioNTech's Comirnaty, the most prevalent vaccine in the Western world, is "safe for use."

EMA claimed that vaccines have helped save almost '20 million lives globally' in the first year of the pandemic alone. While acknowledging a 'rare' risk of myocarditis and pericarditis, two types of heart inflammation, primarily in young males post-vaccination, the EMA affirms that safety monitoring was not compromised during fast-track assessments.

Reuters reported that the liability issue remains uncertain, especially regarding who would pay legal costs or compensation if the plaintiff wins. EU's bulk purchase agreements with vaccine manufacturers, including BioNTech-Pfizer, reportedly contain full or partial liability waivers for legal costs and potential compensation, which could force EU governments to bear some costs.

Germany, like many countries, has a no-fault compensation program for individuals who suffer permanent harm from vaccines. However, participation in this program does not preclude an individual from seeking damages separately.

In contrast, the United States has granted manufacturers immunity from liability for COVID vaccines receiving regulatory approval.

Doctor Launches New Class Action Lawsuit Against Australian Government Over Vaccine Injuries

Jim Hoft May 4, 2023

The Australian government and the pharmaceuticals agency are being sued in a landmark class action lawsuit over injuries sustained from receiving the experimental Covid-19 shot.

The lawsuit was filed in the New South Wales Federal Court on behalf of 500 complainants by Dr. Melissa McCann, a general practitioner from Queensland.

"These injured and bereaved have suffered immense loss, pain, and grief. Just as heartbreaking has been the gaslighting and silence, which has left them feeling abandoned. We cannot simply 'move on' from COVID and leave them behind," Dr. McCann **tweeted**.

Those being sued include the federal government, Chief Medical Officer Dr. Brendan Murphy, and Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) spokesperson Professor John Skerritt, Epoch Times **reported**.

The plaintiffs allege that they were injured, had to pay for medical bills, and lost money because of the government's "negligent or wrongful" promotion of the use of COVID-19 vaccines.

"The action will argue that the Therapeutic Goods Administration [TGA] did not fulfil their duty to properly regulate the COVID-19 vaccines, resulting in considerable harm and damage to Australians," said Natalie Strijland from NR Barbi Solicitor.

"The claim now proceeds upon the basis that the government, in fact, acted negligently in approving the vaccines and also by failing to withdraw them after approval based upon the known evidence," Strijland said.

"Australians who have experienced a serious adverse event following COVID-19 vaccination are invited to step forward and register for this **class action**."

Epoch Times **reported**:

The Australian government operates a vaccine injury compensation scheme that has, thus far, paid out over \$7.3 million (US\$4.87 million) to 137 claimants. It has received 3,501 applications and is progressing with 2,263, according to figures obtained by news.com.au.

The Department of Social Services has previously estimated the government could be liable for a payout of **\$77 million (US\$49.35 million)**.

Lawyers assisting patients have noted the challenges with navigating the scheme.

"We've had just under 350 inquiries about adverse outcomes, and they have been extremely varied, but most of them have a condition that has some ongoing impact. Not many seem to fit within the criteria of the six categories," personal injury lawyer Clare Eves told The Epoch Times previously.

Meanwhile, in response to the class action, the Australian Department of Health said, "The department is aware of a proceeding commenced today in the Federal Court of Australia by applicants represented by NR Barbi Solicitor Pty Ltd. As the matter is before the court, it is inappropriate to comment further."

Back in December, former Australian Medical Association President Dr. Kerryn Phelps broke her silence about the "devastating" side effects she and her wife experienced after receiving the Covid vaccine. She criticized regulators for their attempts to control the public by threatening the doctors.

Professor Kerryn Phelps was an outspoken advocate of mass Covid vaccinations for both adults and kids.

She participated in multiple interviews and panels pushing the vaccine.

The nationally-renowned doctor and marriage equality advocate revealed that both she and her wife had suffered serious and ongoing injuries as a result of Covid vaccines, **according** to News.com.

She said the true number of adverse events is much greater than reported, citing underreporting and "threats" from medical authorities.

She pleaded for an Australian parliamentary committee to examine dangers of the mRNA vaccines on Monday. Their risks go far beyond their known dangers of myocarditis, and both she and her wife personally suffered long-term side effects following their Pfizer jabs, she said.

In an explosive **submission** to Parliament's Long Covid inquiry, Phelps stated, "This is an issue that I have witnessed first-hand with my wife who suffered a severe neurological reaction to her first Pfizer vaccine within minutes, including burning face and gums, paraesethesiae, and numb hands and feet, while under observation by myself, another doctor and a registered nurse at the time of immunisation."

One doctor had written in office notes that Wallskog suffered a "significant reaction from Moderna COVID vaccination."

Wallskog disputed the determination, writing in an appeal that "an exhaustive work-up revealed no other cause of my symptoms besides my Moderna shot."

An appeal, or request for reconsideration, sends the determination to "a qualified panel, independent of the program," according to federal law. The panel reviews the determination and sends its recommendation back to the program, which makes the final determination.

Twenty-eight studies have documented transverse myelitis following COVID-19 vaccination, a <u>systematic review</u> published in October 2022 found. Those include <u>case</u> reports of transverse myelitis after a Moderna shot. Researchers said the exact mechanisms for vaccine-induced transverse myelitis remain unclear but posited genetic factors play a role.

Wallskog said that as of now, only people who suffer a narrow set of injuries can expect to be compensated by the U.S. government.

"Many people have this false sense that the CICP is going to be their answer, and it's not," he said. "All these people are going to get denied unless they have myocarditis, anaphylaxis, or certain blood clotting conditions."

Outside Compensation

Vaccine manufacturers are not liable for injuries due to laws like the PREP Act. That leaves people with few options when they're injured.

Wallskog helped found a group called React19, which describes itself as a "science-based non-profit offering financial, physical, and emotional support for those suffering from long-term COVID-19 vaccine adverse events."

Drawing from a pool of donated money, the group has so far paid \$556,652 to the vaccine injured, with 81 people receiving compensation.

Applicants must provide a medical note or consultation documenting symptoms and signs they're related to vaccination.

Group officials, including Wallskog, review each application and make a determination during weekly board meetings. They give out grants of up to \$10,000.

The donations come from what the group describes as a care fund.

"Unfortunately, the care fund is on hold right now because we're low on money," Wallskog said. "I always say we wish we had more money but at the same point we're doing with React what our healthcare organizations and our federal agencies should be doing."

The program could help people like Angie Bluford, who did not apply to the CICP because of the one-year deadline. Bluford wasn't diagnosed with a vaccine injury until 18 months after getting a Moderna COVID-19 vaccination.

React19 is also advocating for reform of the CICP or moving injury claims from the CICP to the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, widely considered the superior option. That would require adding the COVID-19 vaccines to the routine immunization schedule, which has already been done; adding vaccines to the vaccine injury table, and congressional approval of an excise tax. Coverage under the national program should be retroactive, React19 says.

Still Waiting

It's taken more than a year for some injured people to get a determination. There were still 7,771 applications pending as of April 1.

One was sent in by Steve Wenger, a project manager whose COVID-19 vaccination caused Guillain-Barre syndrome, a disorder that damages the immune system.

Wenger, who got vaccinated to avoid losing his job, submitted his application in March 2022. He didn't receive confirmation until July 2022. He's still waiting for the outcome.

"The CICP cannot estimate when the medical review will begin or how long it may take to complete," administrators told him in a letter.

"It's a waiting game," Wenger told The Epoch Times. "To be honest, I'm waiting on my rejection letter, because that's what I'm expecting."

Wenger's pessimism stems from the high rejection rate and the fact no claims for Guillain-Barre syndrome have been approved despite U.S. authorities acknowledging the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine causes the disorder.

Wenger has been dealing with large medical bills, including thousands of dollars for biweekly treatments with intravenous immunoglobulin, one of the few drugs that have helped those with lingering injuries from the vaccines. Even if CICP approves Wenger's petition, the money likely wouldn't last long. "I've read stories that medical debt has just absolutely destroyed people, financially buried them," Wenger said. "I never envisioned myself being one of those people. But you know, here I am."

Class-Action Suit Launched Against Australian Government Over COVID Vaccine Injuries

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Daniel Y. Teng via The Epoch Times

As reports of vaccine injuries gain traction globally, an Australian doctor is leading a new class action against the federal government and key medical figures.

Queensland GP Dr. Melissa McCann has filed the action in the Federal Court of Australia on behalf of 500 complainants.

The action targets the federal government, Dr. Brendan Murphy, the Chief Medical Officer, and Prof. John Skerritt, the public face of the Therapeutic Goods Administration—the country's drug regulatory body.

"The action will argue that the Therapeutic Goods Administration [TGA] did not fulfil their duty to properly regulate the COVID-19 vaccines, resulting in considerable harm and damage to Australians," said Natalie Strijland from NR Barbi Solicitor said in a statement.

The main thrust of the claim is that the government's actions in promoting the use of COVID-19 vaccines were "negligent or wrongful" and resulted in personal injury, medical expenses, and economic loss for the claimants.

"The claim now proceeds upon the basis that the government, in fact, acted negligently in approving the vaccines and also by failing to withdraw them after approval based upon the known evidence," Strijland said.

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Liberal Sen. Gerard Rennick—a vocal critic of vaccine mandates—welcomed the action.

"Thank you to Dr. Melissa McCann and the solicitors that have taken up the fight to help those affected and still suffering," he wrote in an online statement.

"It is disappointing, to say the least, that people are not being compensated or receiving the healthcare they now need due to these experimental jabs which were, as we now know, never designed to be safe or effective."

Vaccine Injury Payouts Ongoing

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Local and Private COVID Vaccine Mandates at Health Care Facilities Being Reversed, Struck Down Across US

Alice Giordano May 11, 2023

A group of Western University students hold a protest against the school's COVID-19 mandates on Aug. 27, 2022. (The Canadian Press/Nicole Osborne)

Efforts to overturn vaccine mandates for both hospital patients and health care workers appear to be gaining momentum across the United States.

In what's seen as a major victory for transplant patients who didn't take the COVID-19 vaccine, one of the largest transplant centers in the United States reversed its policy to require the vaccine in order to be eligible for an organ transplant.

The University of Michigan (UM) announced its new policy on May 4, just before court proceedings started in a lawsuit filed against it for declaring patients ineligible for an organ transplant unless they agreed to receive the vaccine.

The suit was filed on behalf of several patients by David Peters of Pacific Justice Institute, who, in celebrating the reversal, simply said "We're winning!"

According to a written statement by UM, "new information" led to the "voluntary decision" to reverse its policy.

"The University hereby gives notice to the Court that in light of developing epidemiological and other actuarial circumstances, effective April 27, 2023, it has changed its Transplant Center COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement for Adult Transplant Candidates," the statement reads. "Relevant to this litigation, COVID-19 vaccine will no longer be required prior to wait-listing of potential adult solid organ transplant recipients."

The UM decision came on the same day that a federal judge chastised Maine Assistant Attorney General Kimberly Patwardhan for filing a motion to dismiss a lawsuit filed on behalf of health care workers who lost their jobs for refusing to get the COVID-19 vaccine.

"You obviously have not been reading the U.S. Supreme Court precedent on this or else you would not have filed your motion to dismiss," Judge Sandra Lynch said to Patwardhan.

Lynch made the comments during oral arguments in the case before a three-judge panel of the 1st Circuit Court of Appeals in Boston. The case is being argued by Matt Staver, founder of Liberty Counsel, on behalf of the health care workers.

In addition to the ban, Maine Gov. Janet Mills also threatened to revoke the licenses of all health care employers who fail to mandate the COVID-19 vaccine for all workers.

Maine is one of six states—along with New York, California, Connecticut, West Virginia, and Mississippi—that banned religious exemptions from vaccine mandates.

In April, in Mississippi, in what many parents opposed to vaccines are hoping will become a national precedent, a federal judge ruled that outlawing religious exemptions from vaccines, including school-required immunization, was unconstitutional and ordered the provision restored.

Such rulings follow a Supreme Court decision that found that it's discriminatory for states to consider other kinds of exemptions from the vaccine while denying religious ones.

However, Peters said he believes that the SCOTUS ruling is only part of the reason hospitals are starting to voluntarily reverse COVID-19 vaccine mandates.

Peters, who holds a doctorate in medical sociology and a master's in medicine, said the hospitals are starting to own up to the reality that the vaccines are "if not hurtful, useless."

He has several other pending cases against transplant centers that have denied patients a spot on a list, including some in need of life-saving heart transplants, because they weren't vaccinated against COVID-19.

Peters said he's planning to file "tons" more across the country.

Liberty Counsel has also partnered with lawyers in states including Florida to bring similar lawsuits on behalf of patients and health care workers.

Florida attorney Jenn Vasquez represents nursing students on behalf of Liberty Counsel in pending litigation against their colleges for refusing to let them complete their clinicals unless they get the COVID-19 vaccine.

"And yet we are being told we are in a nursing crisis," she told The Epoch Times.

In Maine, another group, Health Choice Maine, has filed a separate lawsuit on behalf of EMTs who were fired for not taking the vaccine.

The Mills administration continues to enforce the mandate for EMT workers despite a critical shortage of technicians and drivers in Maine, which has the largest elderly population in the United States.

One of the largest U.S. hospitals has also been taken to court over its denial of religious exemptions from the COVID-19 vaccine.

Oral arguments are scheduled for May 10 in a case against Mass General Brigham in Boston.

In the lawsuit, 159 workers question why the hospital granted 230 employees religious exemptions but denied their requests. The hospital cited "hardship" as the reason but didn't explain what it meant, the complaint shows.

The hospital has filed a summary judgment asking the court to dismiss the case.

Massachusetts attorney Ryan McLane of McLane & McLane, a law firm affiliated with Liberty Counsel, is representing the 159 health care workers in the case.

Covid "pandemic" policies have abused citizens and permanently corrupted good societal values

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Covid "pandemic" policies have opened the floodgates to corruption and the abuse of nations' citizens. They have altered standards of political honesty and accountability; courts of law routinely chose to overrule basic freedoms of speech, medical choice, and peaceful protest; the State has forged a partnership with medical authorities and pharmaceutical companies that bypasses basic tenets of safety and informed consent; employment laws were bypassed; and, educational institutions became health police and encouraged children to make adult decisions without their parents' guidance and which were contrary to family values.

By Dr. Guy Hatchard

If the Government became a criminal enterprise, how could we respond?

On 12 October 2020 or thereabouts, the New Zealand ("NZ") government signed an agreement with Pfizer for the supply of Covid 19 mRNA vaccines. The provisions of this agreement have never been revealed to the NZ public. Almost certainly the agreement granted Pfizer immunity from liability and prosecution should any safety issues arise.

If information from other countries is to be believed, it also restricted the right of NZ health authorities to independently investigate or analyse the composition or contents of the vaccines.

The signing of this contract was the opening act of a process which has led to the gradual renunciation of NZ sovereignty, placing the health of the nation in the hands of foreign concerns disinterested in New Zealand's welfare.

It was also the first pandemic expenditure of many that would eventually add up to \$100 billion, the biggest single-issue expenditure in our government's history outside of wartime. An expenditure that has broken the bank and mortgaged our future.

We were all set to fly blind in the hands of a multinational company well known for cutting corners when it came to safety and reliability and we were committed to paying a hefty price for the privilege.

Following this first step, there were going to be many other milestones along the way which, as you know, have changed the character of our island nation from independent self-reliance and proud championship of social justice to a pathetic denial of obvious truth, disregard for the health and rights of the individual, and dictatorial manipulation of information.

This week many of you will have watched the documentary 'SILENCED', a measured response on the part of a significant group of professionals, a media personality, and NZ doctors who chose to follow medical ethics and ask questions. As a result, they were deregistered by the NZ Medical Council. It is essential viewing and notable for a careful and considered examination of many of the main issues. The documentary highlights just how much our political and constitutional landscape has been altered by the pandemic.

At the conclusion of the documentary, the terms of reference of the Royal Commission of Enquiry into the pandemic response were discussed. Unbelievably, these exclude consideration of vaccine efficacy and safety including adverse effects, epidemiology of the virus, court rulings, and the specific clinical decisions taken during the pandemic regarding vaccine mandates, lockdowns, and masking rules.

The Royal Commission will be recommending how the government should respond to the next pandemic (yes, apparently it is a given that there will be another pandemic) but incredibly it is going to do so without considering what went wrong during the current one. By implication, this is going to radically affect us moving forward in diverse ways that we need to begin to analyse now in order to preserve our future health and safety.

Politics

Above all, pandemic policies have altered standards of political honesty and accountability. From Ardern's podium of truth came the idea that 'truth' is what I tell you it is and I am not required to offer supporting evidence or answer questions. In essence, truth has become whatever a political party decides it is and any counter-opinion may be dismissed as disinformation.

It has become acceptable to fund the media to support government policy and exclude dissent at the behest of the Government.

It has become acceptable for politicians to dismiss the concerns of constituents and fail to communicate with them if their concerns run counter to government policy – a dictatorial strategy. Blocking emails by content or name has become routine.

It seems politicians and civil servants have been able to avoid responding to Official Information Act ("OIA") requests as a matter of routine. Politicians are not required to respond to OIA requests about past actions if they have moved on from a particular ministerial role.

In other words, politicians are no longer serving people, they are overruling them.

Courts

Courts routinely chose to ignore the provisions of the NZ Bill of Rights when hearing cases concerning pandemic matters. In other words, they felt free to overrule basic freedoms of speech, medical choice, and peaceful protest.

Moreover, Judges have acquiesced to the power of the State without sufficient process. In not one pandemic court case during the last three years, have procedures allowed defence lawyers to cross-examine the expert scientific witnesses called by the state. An apparent denial of basic justice.

In effect, government actions were placed beyond the scrutiny of law. State-sponsored actions were placed beyond the reach of legal redress.

Health

The State has forged a partnership with medical authorities and pharmaceutical companies that bypasses basic tenets of safety and informed consent.

Irrevocable decisions to go forward in partnership with pharmaceutical companies are being taken by governments around the world almost every day including ours. *The Washington Post* announced on 10 April 2023 that the US government has granted 5 billion dollars to 'Project Next Gen' designed to make and market new biotech vaccines. The UK government has partnered with Moderna to research new vaccines and guaranteed Moderna that it will purchase and use them. The NZ government is funding efforts to research, manufacture and market mRNA vaccines here.

Partnerships between governments and pharmaceutical companies are extremely concerning and leave us wide open to abuse and corruption.

Medical authorities have ignored research confirming the huge potential of natural and complementary approaches to improve Covid outcomes. In fact, they have sought to suppress information about their use, instead relying

exclusively on novel biotechnology interventions known to be risky and permanently mutagenic, yet immensely profitable.

Employment

The provisions of employment law, designed to protect job security, prevent discrimination and offer compensation to those affected, were bypassed by universal vaccine mandates. Professional reputations and careers were destroyed.

This has fundamentally changed the relationship between employers and their employees. Employers can now take a controlling interest in the health status and choices of their employees – a paternalistic interest that redefines employment as a form of indentured labour.

Education

One of the most disturbing aspects of pandemic policy has been its impact on children and students.

Children and students have been coerced to vaccinate by their respective educational institutions and through government advertising. They were misinformed about the known risks and simply left with the false "safe and effective" mantra, along with the knowledge that the collective enjoyment of sports and cultural activities would be off limits if they didn't snap to.

Children were encouraged and allowed to make their own decisions about vaccination outside of the protective canopy of parental advice.

Students faced exclusion from tertiary education if they did not comply with vaccine mandates.

The integrity of family life is at the heart of social stability and progress. Government policy has weakened family integrity. This is evident in the dramatic fall in school attendance and the rise in violent teenage crime.

There will be long-term effects on the next generation – the future leaders of society. It is notable that the control of education has always been a tool of repressive regimes. Hitler would not have been able to command the absolute obedience that he did without the Hitler Youth.

Home schooling, correspondence school enrolment and online distance education have all boomed during the pandemic years for a variety of reasons. There is a growing realisation that Ministry of Education curricula can be very restrictive and, in some cases, promote a social framework contrary to values held by most families. For example, regulations requiring a specific approach to gender identity issues are expected to be introduced in September.

Of even greater concern are issues around the assessment of truth and validity of information. Navigating the impact of AI programmes like ChatGPT in classroom and homework settings is likely to be beyond the capabilities of most teachers. Aside from their reliance on and promotion of plagiarism, the weakness of such AI systems is their incapacity to sort truth from falsehood – they tend to opt for the most common opinion, something that curiously echoes the government's approach to pandemic information.

In a highly prescriptive educational environment, most students will comply despite whatever their home environment has taught them. Otherwise, they are in danger of being bullied or socially isolated. I would suggest that those parents who decide to take responsibility for their children's education at home should realise that opportunities to socially mix with peers from concerned families is essential.

An organisation similar to outward bound which offers three-week outdoor adventure and leadership courses for teenagers could be set up by parents, where, in addition to opportunities for adventure and social development, issues of truth and health can be considered in depth and explored.

Justice Neil Gorsuch Voices Opposition to Lockdowns and Mandates: "Greatest Intrusion on Civil Liberties"

Jim Hoft May 20, 2023

Supreme Court Justice Neil Gorsuch broke his silence on the subject of lockdowns and mandates during a recent statement made in a case concerning Title 42, calling it the "greatest intrusion on civil liberties."

As the Covid-19 public health emergency expires, the Supreme Court announced Thursday that it would formally withdraw a case that seeks to preserve the immigration policy known as Title 42 from its schedule, **CNN** reported.

The court stated in a brief order that it was dismissing an opinion from a federal appeals court in the case *Arizona v. Mayorkas* "with instructions to dismiss the motion as moot."

Justice Gorsuch voiced his reservations about the widespread implementation of lockdown measures and government-enforced mandates. He highlighted the importance of protecting individual liberties and expressed concerns about potential overreach by governmental authorities.

Read below Gorsuch's statement:

"The history of this case illustrates the disruption we have experienced over the last three years in how our laws are made and our freedoms observed.

Since March 2020, we may have experienced the greatest intrusions on civil liberties in the peacetime history of this country. Executive officials across the country issued emergency decrees on a breathtaking scale. Governors and local leaders imposed lockdown orders forcing people to remain in their homes.

They shuttered businesses and schools public and private. They closed churches even as they allowed casinos and other favored businesses to carry on. They threatened violators not just with civil penalties but with criminal sanctions too.

They surveilled church parking lots, recorded license plates, and issued notices warning that attendance at even outdoor services satisfying all state social-distancing and hygiene requirements could amount to criminal conduct. They divided cities and neighborhoods into color-coded zones, forced individuals to fight

for their freedoms in court on emergency timetables, and then changed their colorcoded schemes when defeat in court seemed imminent.

Federal executive officials entered the act too. Not just with emergency immigration decrees. They deployed a public-health agency to regulate landlord-tenant relations nationwide. They used a workplace-safety agency to issue a vaccination mandate for most working Americans.

They threatened to fire noncompliant employees, and warned that service members who refused to vaccinate might face dishonorable discharge and confinement. Along the way, it seems federal officials may have pressured social-media companies to suppress information about pandemic policies with which they disagreed.

While executive officials issued new emergency decrees at a furious pace, state legislatures and Congress—the bodies normally responsible for adopting our laws—too often fell silent. Courts bound to protect our liberties addressed a few—but hardly all—of the intrusions upon them. In some cases, like this one, courts even allowed themselves to be used to perpetuate emergency public-health decrees for collateral purposes, itself a form of emergency-lawmaking-by-litigation.

Doubtless, many lessons can be learned from this chapter in our history, and hopefully serious efforts will be made to study it. One lesson might be this: Fear and the desire for safety are powerful forces. They can lead to a clamor for action—almost any action—as long as someone does something to address a perceived threat.

A leader or an expert who claims he can fix everything, if only we do exactly as he says, can prove an irresistible force. We do not need to confront a bayonet, we need only a nudge, before we willingly abandon the nicety of requiring laws to be adopted by our legislative representatives and accept rule by decree. Along the way, we will accede to the loss of many cherished civil liberties—the right to worship freely, to debate public policy without censorship, to gather with friends and family, or simply to leave our homes.

We may even cheer on those who ask us to disregard our normal lawmaking processes and forfeit our personal freedoms. Of course, this is no new story. Even the ancients warned that democracies can degenerate toward autocracy in the face of fear.

But maybe we have learned another lesson too. The concentration of power in the hands of so few may be efficient and sometimes popular. But it does not tend toward sound government. However wise one person or his advisors may be, that is no substitute for the wisdom of the whole of the American people that can be tapped in the legislative process.

Decisions produced by those who indulge no criticism are rarely as good as those produced after robust and uncensored debate. Decisions announced on the fly are rarely as wise as those that come after careful deliberation. Decisions made by a few often yield unintended consequences that may be avoided when more are consulted. Autocracies have always suffered these defects. Maybe, hopefully, we have relearned these lessons too.

In the 1970s, Congress studied the use of emergency decrees. It observed that they can allow executive authorities to tap into extraordinary powers. Congress also observed that emergency decrees have a habit of long outliving the crises that generate them; some federal emergency proclamations, Congress noted, had remained in effect for years or decades after the emergency in question had passed.

At the same time, Congress recognized that quick unilateral executive action is sometimes necessary and permitted in our constitutional order. In an effort to balance these considerations and ensure a more normal operation of our laws and a firmer protection of our liberties, Congress adopted a number of new guardrails in the National Emergencies Act.

Despite that law, the number of declared emergencies has only grown in the ensuing years. And it is hard not to wonder whether, after nearly a half-century and in light of our Nation's recent experience, another look is warranted. It is hard not to wonder, too, whether state legislatures might profitably reexamine the proper scope of emergency executive powers at the state level.

At the very least, one can hope that the Judiciary will not soon again allow itself to be part of the problem by permitting litigants to manipulate our docket to perpetuate a decree designed for one emergency to address another. Make no mistake—decisive executive action is sometimes necessary and appropriate. But if emergency decrees promise to solve some problems, they threaten to generate others. And rule by indefinite emergency edict risks leaving all of us with a shell of a democracy and civil liberties just as hollow."

Try Not to Laugh: A Covid Outbreak Happened at a CDC Conference With 99.4% of Attendees "Vaccinated"

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This shouldn't be funny, but for some reason I literally chuckled when I saw it. The reason is obvious: The CDC and other "experts" have hammered the unvaxxed for over two years about how safe and effective the jabs were. And now, with Pandemic Panic Theater finally fading, a CDC conference with nearly 100% vaccination rate gets hit by a massive outbreak.

By no means should I find any humor in the suffering of others. But as someone who has been targeted for being unvaccinated, who has gone through financial challenges as a result of my unjabled status, I still get a perverse hint of joy when stories like this pop up.

Most Infected in COVID Outbreak at CDC Conference Were Vaccinated, Agency Confirms

A COVID-19 outbreak unfolded at a conference held by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) despite most attendees being vaccinated.

About 1,800 CDC staffers and others gathered in April in a hotel in Atlanta, where the CDC is headquartered, for a conference focused on epidemiological investigations and strategies.

On April 27, the last day of the conference, several people notified organizers that they had tested positive for COVID-19. The CDC and the Georgia Department of Public Health worked together to survey attendees to try to figure out how many people had tested positive.

"The goals were to learn more about transmission that occurred and add to our understanding as we transition to the next phase of COVID-19 surveillance and response," the CDC said in a May 26 statement.

Approximately 80 percent of attendees filled out the survey. Among those, 181 said they tested positive for COVID-19.

Pretty much all respondents—99.4 percent—had received at least one COVID-19 vaccine dose.

The number of unvaccinated people who got sick, if any, was not disclosed. Officials also did not break down the vaccinated between those who had received a dose of the updated bivalent vaccines and those who had not. The CDC has not responded to requests for more information.

About 360 people did not respond to the survey, so the actual outbreak may have been larger.

Dr. Eric Topol, director of the Scripps Research Translational Institute, said on Twitter that the numbers made the conference a "superspreader event."

Dr. Tom Inglesby, director of the Bloomberg School of Public Health's Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security, added that the outbreak shows COVID-19 is "still capable of causing big outbreaks and infecting many."

A Georgia Department of Public Health spokesperson told The Epoch Times in an email that many people who attended the conference were not residents of Georgia, and that many used tests at home.

Bivalent Protection

The CDC said the survey results "underline the importance of vaccination for protecting individuals against severe illness and death related to COVID-19" because none of the people who said they tested positive reported going to a hospital.

No clinical trial efficacy data are available for the bivalent shots, even though they were first cleared nine months ago. They provide little protection against infection, according to observational data, though officials maintain they protect against severe illness. That protection is short-lived, according to <u>studies</u>, including non-peer-reviewed CDC publications. The most recent publication, <u>released on May 26</u>, showed poor effectiveness against hospitalization from the Pfizer and Moderna bivalent COVID-19 vaccines, which <u>replaced the old vaccines earlier this year</u>.

Among adults without "documented immunocompromising conditions," the protection was 62 percent between seven and 59 days but went to 47 percent before plunging to just 24 percent after 120 days.

Among adults with "documented immunocompromising conditions," the effectiveness peaked at just 41 percent, hitting 13 percent after 120 days.

Researchers did not provide the effectiveness estimates among all adults, or the combined population of those with and without "documented immunocompromising conditions." They also did not provide the unadjusted vaccine effectiveness (VE) estimates, or estimates before adjusting for certain variables.

"Both the crude VE and adjusted VE should be reported so that big discrepancies are evident to the reader and questioned," David Wiseman, founder and president of Synechion, told The Epoch Times via email.

Effective against critical illness—defined as admission to intensive care, or death—peaked at 85 among the people deemed immunocompetent, but plunged to 33 percent after 120 days. Among those described as immunocompromised, the effectiveness was not estimated above 53 percent.

Effectiveness was not measured beyond 180 days. Effectiveness for children was not examined as part of the research.

CDC researchers looked at data from its VISION Network, a network of hospitals in the United States. Exclusions included people under 50 who received four or more old vaccine boosters.

Just 23.5 percent of the immunocompetent and 16.4 percent of the immunocompromised were vaccinated, while the rest had received at least two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine.

About 8 percent of American adults are still unvaccinated, according to <u>CDC data</u>, though that percentage may be a big overestimate (<u>pdf</u>).

Researchers said the data showed that bivalent doses "helped provide protection against COVID-19-associated hospitalization and critical disease" adding that "waning of protection was evidence in some groups."

The Biggest Covid Question: What Will Happen in 10 years?

Dr. Joseph Mercola March 20, 2023

STORY AT-A-GLANCE

So far, children have been largely unfazed by COVID-19 because their interferon pathway works really well. Interferon is an immune molecule that protects cells against invading pathogens

The COVID jab inhibits the type-1 interferon pathway, so mass injecting young children may actually erase the natural herd immunity against COVID-19 that would develop if all children remained unjabbed Aggressive cancers have exploded among adults who got the shots, even though it's only been a little over two years since their rollout

Analysis of U.S. Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) data suggests the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is redesignating cancer deaths as COVID deaths to eliminate the cancer signal, and has been doing so since April 2021

We've also seen massive increases in excess mortality from abnormal clotting issues and heart problems since the COVID shots rolled out. If side effects such as cancer, heart disease and stroke are killing working age adults in unprecedented numbers already, what will the excess mortality be, say, 10 years from now if children and teens keep getting mRNA boosters every year?

What will the future hold for people whose exposure to COVID-19 occurs during the first years of life? That question was recently asked by Katherine J. Wu, a staff writer at The Atlantic.1

"To be a newborn in the year 2023 — and, almost certainly, every year that follows — means emerging into a world where the coronavirus is ubiquitous ... Beyond a shadow of a doubt, this virus will be one of the very first serious pathogens that today's infants — and all future infants — meet," she writes.

"Eventually, the expectation is that the illness will reach a stable nadir, at which point it may truly be 'another common cold,' says Rustom Antia, an infectious-disease modeler at Emory.

The full outcome of this living experiment, though, won't be clear for decades — well after the billions of people who encountered the coronavirus for the first time in adulthood are long gone.

The experiences that today's youngest children have with the virus are only just beginning to shape what it will mean to have COVID throughout a lifetime, when we all coexist with it from birth to death as a matter of course."

COVID Jab Prevents Natural Herd Immunity

Wu praises the COVID jab as being part of why we can be hopeful for future generations that have to live with this new virus, but is that really realistic? Right now, everything points to the COVID shot being a disaster, and no one actually knows what the long-term effect will be on children who get it. Wu highlights the fact that children's immune systems have the advantage of "marshaling hordes of interferon — an immune molecule that armors cells against viruses." This is thought to be a primary reason why COVID-19 isn't nearly as lethal in young children as in older adults.

The problem that Wu completely misses is that the COVID jab inhibits the type-1 interferon pathway,2 so mass injecting young children may actually erase the natural herd immunity against COVID-19 that would develop if all children remained unjabbed. The shots will NOT, as Wu suggests, help us achieve herd immunity at all.

Cancer Rates in Young People Will Likely Rise

Mass injecting children with a drug that impairs their immune system may also (rather predictably) result in exploding cancer rates. Already, aggressive cancers have exploded among adults who got the shots,3 even though it's only been a little over two years since their rollout.

For example, data from the Defense Medical Epidemiology Database (DMED)4 — historically one of the most well-kept and most heavily relied-upon medical databases in the world — showed that, compared

to the previous five-year averages, cancer among Department of Defense (DOD) personnel in 2021 skyrocketed.

Overall, cancers tripled among servicemen and their family members after the rollout of the COVID shots. Breast cancer went up 487%. Exploding cancer rates are also seen elsewhere. Indeed, the explosion of cases is so bad that cancer is now one of the top three leading causes of premature death among young working-age adults — a trend that in turn has <u>driven down U.S. life expectancy by three years</u>.

Cancer Relapses and Metastasis Rates Are Exploding

November 26, 2022, The Daily Sceptic published a letter5 6 to the editor of The BMJ, written by Dr. Angus Dalgleish, professor of oncology at St. George's University of London, warning that COVID boosters may be causing aggressive metastatic cancers:

"COVID no longer needs a vaccine programme given the average age of death of COVID in the U.K. is 82 and from all other causes is 81 and falling," Dalgleish wrote. "The link with clots, myocarditis, heart attacks and strokes is now well accepted, as is the link with myelitis and neuropathy ...

However, there is now another reason to halt all vaccine programmes. As a practicing oncologist I am seeing people with stable disease rapidly progress after being forced to have a booster, usually so they can travel. Even within my own personal contacts I am seeing B cell-based disease after the boosters.

They describe being distinctly unwell a few days to weeks after the booster — one developing leukemia, two work colleagues Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, and an old friend who has felt like he has had Long COVID since receiving his booster and who, after getting severe bone pain, has been diagnosed as having multiple metastases from a rare B cell disorder.

I am experienced enough to know that these are not coincidental anecdotes ... The reports of innate immune suppression after mRNA for several weeks would fit, as all these patients to date have melanoma or B cell-based cancers, which are very susceptible to immune control — and that is before the reports of suppressor gene suppression by mRNA in laboratory experiments. This must be aired and debated immediately." In a December 19, 2022, article7 in Conservative Woman, Dalgleish continued discussing the phenomenon of rapidly spreading cancers in patients who were in stable remission for years before receiving their COVID boosters. He noted that after his letter to The BMJ was published, several oncologists contacted him to say they're seeing the same thing in their own practices.

"Seeing the recurrence of these cancers after all this time naturally makes me wonder if there is a common cause?" he wrote.8 "I had previously noted that relapse in stable cancer is often associated with severe long-term stress, such as bankruptcy, divorce, etc.

However, I found that none of my patients had any such extra stress during this time, but they had all had booster vaccines and, indeed, a couple of them noted that they had a very bad reaction to the booster which they did not have to the first two injections.

I then noted that some of these patients were not having a normal pattern of relapse but rather an explosive relapse, with metastases occurring at the same time in several sites ... Scientifically, I was reading reports that the booster was leading to a big excess of antibodies at the expense of the T-cell response and that this T-cell suppression could last for three weeks, if not more.

To me, this could be causal as the immune system is being asked to make an excessive response through the humoral inflammatory part of the immune response against a virus (the alpha-delta variant) which is no longer in existence in the community.

This exertion leads to immune exhaustion, which is why these patients are reporting up to a 50% greater increase in Omicron, or other variations, than the non-vaccinated."

Swedish pathologist, researcher and senior physician at Lund's University, Dr. Ute Krueger, has also observed an explosion in rapidly advancing cancers in the wake of the COVID shots, with the largest increase occurring among 30- to 50-year-olds.9 10 According to Krueger, tumor sizes are also dramatically larger, multiple tumors in multiple organs are becoming more common, and cancer recurrence and metastasis are both increasing.

Cancer Deaths Are Being Intentionally Hidden

Disturbingly, as detailed in "How Cancer Deaths From the COVID Jabs Are Being Hidden," analysis of U.S. Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) data suggests the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is filtering out and redesignating cancer deaths as COVID deaths to eliminate the cancer signal, and has been doing so since April 2021.

The signal is being hidden by swapping the underlying cause of death with main cause of death. As many as 20% of the weekly so-called COVID deaths are actually cancer deaths.

An Unconscionable Experiment on Humanity

Absolutely no one knows what the long-term ramifications of giving these injections to infants and young children will be. It's a public health experiment unlike anything we've ever seen before. So far, we've not seen cancer rates among children skyrocket, but the uptake among young children has also been low.

If side effects such as cancer, heart disease and stroke are killing working age adults in unprecedented numbers already, what will the excess mortality be, say, 10 years from now if children and teens keep getting mRNA boosters every year?

Since their immune systems are also more robust, children may be protected from cancer for a time even if they do get the jab. The question is how long? The U.S. childhood vaccination schedule now includes the initial series plus an annual COVID booster. How many boosters will it take before a child's immune system breaks and cancer starts to proliferate?

Excess Mortality Skyrocketing

We've also seen massive increases in excess mortality from abnormal clotting issues and heart problems since the COVID shots rolled out. If side effects such as cancer, heart disease and stroke are killing working age adults in unprecedented numbers already, what will the excess mortality be, say, 10 years from now if children and teens keep getting mRNA boosters every year?

I shudder to even think about it. Making matters even worse, drug makers are working overtime to deliver other mRNA-based "vaccines" as well, including one against <u>respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)</u>. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has already fast-tracked it. This, despite the fact that previous attempts to create an RSV vaccine failed because they caused antibody dependent enhancement (ADE).

No Benefit, Massive Cost

Now that we're more than two years into the COVID injection campaign, the cost-benefit analysis is clearer than ever. The benefit is so small as to be inconsequential, while the costs are enormous. Here's a quick summary breakdown, based on available evidence:

Benefit — Short-term (four to six months) protection from severe COVID illness and death.

Cost — Negative effectiveness after a few months (meaning the risk of infection, hospitalization and death from COVID is higher than before the injection). It also doesn't prevent infection or spread of the virus, so vaccine-induced herd immunity can never be achieved.

The shots destroy immune function, making people more prone to all types of infections and chronic diseases, which in turn puts pressure on the health care system, raises disability rates and excess mortality, and <u>lowers life expectancy</u>. On top of all that, there's evidence suggesting the shots have adverse effects on fertility, which could potentially result in a population collapse.

Evidence mRNA Jabs Cause Fertility Problems

By December 2021, at which time the COVID jabs had only been out for one year, reports of surges in menstrual changes and stillbirths were already proliferating. And, while health officials were, and still are, adamant that the COVID shot is safe for pregnant women, the data tell a very different story. The study11 most widely used to support the U.S. recommendation for pregnant women to get injected was sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and published in The New England Journal of Medicine (NEJM) in April 2021. According to this study, the miscarriage rate among COVID jab recipients was 13.9%.

However, there was a MAJOR mistake made in this study, which was highlighted in a rapid communication12 from the Institute for Pure and Applied Knowledge (IPAK). The authors are Aleisha Brock, Ph.D. of New Zealand, and Simon Thornley, Ph.D., a senior lecturer in the section of epidemiology and biostatistics at the University of Auckland.

They explained that the NEJM study "presents falsely reassuring statistics related to the risk of spontaneous abortion in early pregnancy, since the majority of women in the calculation were exposed to the mRNA product after the outcome period was defined (20 weeks' gestation)."13 When the risk of spontaneous abortion (miscarriage) was recalculated based on the cohort that was injected prior to 20 weeks' gestation, the incidence of miscarriage was seven to eight times higher than the original study indicated, with a cumulative incidence of miscarriage ranging from 81.9% to 91.2%! What's more, 12.6% women who received the jab in the third trimester reported Grade 3 adverse events, which are severe or medically significant but not immediately life-threatening.

Another 8% also reported a fever of 38 degrees C (100.4 degrees F), which can lead to miscarriage or premature labor.14 Another problem with the NEJM study is that follow-up only continued for 28 days after birth, meaning the long-term effects of prenatal exposure to babies is still unknown.

A Pfizer-BioNTech rat study also showed the injection more than doubled the incidence of preimplantation loss. Birth defects, specifically mouth/jaw malformations, gastroschisis (a birth defect of the abdominal wall) and abnormalities in the right-sided aortic arch and cervical vertebrae, were also observed.15

Transhumanist Cabal Intend to Change Humanity

It's become quite clear that the technocratic, transhumanist cabal that it trying to seize worldwide control is aggressively trying to genetically alter humanity. But to what end? Considering all the negative effects we're seeing in adults, just two years in, what will happen to the infants and children who have been jabbed over the next decade or two? Especially if they start getting mRNA boosters every year? Transhumanism is "sold" as the way of the future — a future in which everyone is in perfect health and can live as long as they want. We already see how the COVID shots are advertised as a simple "software update" for your immune system. The idea is that, eventually, any health issue will be solved this way. The problem with this utopia is manifold, however. First of all, considering how disastrous this first mRNA injection is, it seems clear the reengineering of an already perfect biological system isn't as easy as they make it out to be, and I for one doubt they'll ever perfect it.

Secondly, while they say this transhumanist utopia is for everyone, it's absolutely not. Do you really believe they want 8 billion people to be in perfect health and live for hundreds of years? Perfect health means perfect reproductive capacity, so the number of offspring would be staggering. Clearly, they don't want this, seeing how these same individuals are already complaining that the world is overpopulated. So, perfect health for everyone is a pipedream.

Extreme life extension for the masses also isn't in the cards. Already, they want people to die as close to retirement age as possible, to minimize payouts. Do you really think they'd be willing to pay billions of people to spend 100 years in retirement?

Even if the retirement age was pushed way back to, say, 150, and the average life span is 175, who's going to employ all these people? Remember, robots and artificial intelligence are already slated to take over most jobs, making most humans obsolete. There's simply no incentive to extend the health span and life span of billions of people.

Top Canadian politician apologizes to unvaccinated, "we were wrong..." she makes unprecedented promise...

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Danielle Smith, the current premier of Alberta in Canada, has done something remarkable. She took the bold and unprecedented step of apologizing to unvaccinated Canadians who've faced unfair treatment from the government throughout the "pandemic." But Ms. Smith actually went beyond just issuing an apology, Danielle actually made a promise: anyone who was terminated from their job due to their refusal of the COVID-19 vaccine will be reinstated.

Wow. That's not the type of humility you hear from politicians everyday, is it?

Comedian and conservative podcaster Jimmy Dore was actually blown away by this apology and covered it at length.

This apology and promise form Ms. Smith sends a powerful message to globalist elites: you were all wrong, and everybody knows it. Thanks to her humility, Danielle Smith has set a new standard in political leadership. Her acknowledgement of the horrors faced by the unvaccinated and her willingness to take responsibility for the government's disgusting actions during the pandemic show she has the potential to be a good leader. However, the proof is in the pudding. The next time something like this happens — and you know it will — Danielle better be on the side of the people, not the government.