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Subject: Mandatory COVID Vaccines on Nevada College Campuses

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Hello,

I am responding to the Emergency Meeting regarding mandatory COVID vaccines on Nevada College Campuses, and would like to make comments on this matter as mentioned in the article dated Friday August 13<sup>th</sup> from KRNV News 4.

No, please do not make COVID vaccination mandatory for the University system in the State of Nevada. I speak for all of my family who do NOT wish be forced to take this unapproved mRNA gene therapy injection into our bodies. I represent my wife, my college age son, our 3 daughters, and myself. We do not want and will not take the vaccine at this time. Myself and my family are not "anti-vaxers", we have been vaccinated with all the usual vaccines but we are vaccine-hesitant when it comes to anything not approved by the FDA and anything that has not gone through the typical vaccine trial periods such as this experimental gene therapy vaccine. We would like more time and a proper multi-year study of this mRNA vaccine before choosing to get vaccinated.

As this is a health related matter I will take a scientific approach with real data and facts to support this position.

- 1. The Death Rate from COVID for college age people (18-29) is very low-Therefore a Mandate is <u>NOT REQUIRED</u>. (Reference A.1)
- 2. The average age of death based on the commonly available data is 75-80 years old-Therefore a mandate for college age students is <u>NOT REQUIRED</u>. (Reference A.1)
- 3. One of the inventors of the mRNA technology, Dr. Robert Malone says himself that this should not be given to young people but only those at high risk, those who are elderly, or those with compromised immune systems-Therefore a mandate for healthy college age students is <a href="NOT REQUIRED">NOT REQUIRED</a>. (Reference A.2)
- 4. Unlike usual vaccines, this mRNA therapy has not had sufficient time to be tested, according to the referenced article it would take a minimum of 5 years (assuming no problems) for a safe vaccine to come to market for distribution-Therefore a mandate is <a href="NOT REQUIRED">NOT REQUIRED</a>. (Reference A.3)
- 5. Side effects are unknown for years after the injection. What happens after: 1 year?, 2 years?, 3 years?.....20+ years? No one knows.-Therefore a mandate should <u>NOT BE REQUIRED</u>. (Reference A.3)
- 6. The COVID vaccination is an experimental gene therapy that should be reserved only for those in dire straits or in the high risk categories mentioned above-Therefore a mandate is <a href="NOT REQUIRED">NOT REQUIRED</a>. (Reference A.4.1 and A.4.2)
- 7. With all of the unknowns and possible dangers of a largely untested mRNA vaccine, it is not worth the risk to people when the COVID death rate is only about 10 times the flu death rate. The equates to a 0.1% chance of death for a US citizen. In a bad flu year like 2017-2018 there were 61,000 flu deaths compared to 606,389 COVID deaths. Again most of the deaths were the elderly so for college students the chance of death is far, far less)-Therefore a

- mandate is <u>NOT REQUIRED</u>. (Reference A.5)
- 8. Finally, this mRNA vaccine is not approved by the FDA (its pending) but only emergency authorization is given (presumably for those at high risk as mentioned above)-Therefore a mandate is <u>NOT REQUIRED</u>. (Reference A.6)

I am a registered Mechanical Engineer in the State of California and I spent much of my professional life analyzing data and assessing risk. To me, when I look at this data from a scientific standpoint, there exists no justification for vaccine mandates at this time. The risk that college students will experience side effects is far higher, especially with these being unknown for anything more than 8 months! This is purely from a scientific and common sense standpoint. If I were to invoke issues of personal choice and the freedom that we have been born with as citizens of the United States of America, I would require an entirely separate letter for that. Suffice it to say that I am incredulous that I even need to write a letter like this...

In my opinion, all of the scientific and factual objections above would have to be overcome <u>prior</u> to the board considering a mandate for college students. If the board decides to vote yes on requiring vaccinations, it blocks a large part of this generation of brilliant students from higher education and relegates them to largely blue-collar or low-level jobs, simply because they are refusing an experimental, largely untested, gene therapy. To many Nevadans including myself this is unconscionable and cannot be tolerated.

I submit that the members of the Nevada State Board of Health on behalf of the citizens of Nevada, should vote NO on these mandates for college students and I have every confidence that with your outstanding credentials and your care for our young college-age Nevadans that you will vote NO for mandatory gene therapy vaccines on Nevada college campuses. I will do everything in my power to support those who vote NO on this critical issue.

Respectfully,

Brant Wilhelm, PE Minden, Nevada

## References:

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A.3-Johns Hopkins University of Medicine: <a href="https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/vaccines/timeline">https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/vaccines/timeline</a>

A.4.1-COVID-19 Vaccination: <a href="https://www.swfinstitute.org/news/83947/covid-mrna-vaccines-are-a-">https://www.swfinstitute.org/news/83947/covid-mrna-vaccines-are-a-</a>

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A.4.2- Mayo Clinic: Gene Therapy: <a href="https://www.mayoclinic.org/tests-procedures/gene-therapy/about/pac-20384619">https://www.mayoclinic.org/tests-procedures/gene-therapy/about/pac-20384619</a>

A.5-CDC Disease Burden of Influenza: https://www.cdc.gov/flu/about/burden/index.html

A.6-FDA Covid-19 vaccines: <a href="https://www.fda.gov/emergency-preparedness-and-">https://www.fda.gov/emergency-preparedness-and-</a>

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