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Subject: Vaccine for Universitites
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Hello,

I am writing in response to the RGJ article and also Sisolak's request for the Nevada State Board of Health's potential vote on Friday to make Covid vaccines mandatory at the universities in Nevada.

I am wondering if you could send me the contact information or possibly tell me if you are the person to voice my concerns to. If you are the person, how do I know that my concerns will be heard by the board members?

I am a mother of a student that attends a Nevada university. My children have all been vaccinated for their normal vaccines throughout childhood. I am not an anti-vaxxer. However, I do have concerns with my children getting the Covid vaccine. I know that there are those that consider people's reasons for opposing the Covid vaccine as pseudo science. I absolutely get where they are coming from. I 100% think that if you are an older person and have health problems, they should be getting the vaccine. That is why it is worth noting that I, and my husband are vaccinated. It is proven that Covid does NOT affect younger people at all or very little. My concern for requiring it for young people are as follows:

1. Not FDA approved yet, only for emergency use still. Why is this not a concern for people? If it is 100% safe for young people, why is it still classified as emergency use.
2. We truly do not know the harmful side effects. I have no problem weighing the consequences for myself. I am almost 50, the virus could be deadly for people my age or that have other medical issues. But....we still do not know if this could have long term health effects, especially for young people that have their entire lives ahead of them.
3. Strong evidence of myocarditis link. There is strong evidence that young people are suffering from myocarditis, which is 100% linked to the vaccine.
4. While still debatable, the vaccine could cause fertility issues. Many "studies" state that there are no fertility issue concerns associated with the vaccine. I would say, do we really know?
5. That is the issue, do we really know anything at all yet about the long term effects. Please put yourself in my shoes, what if the cure is worse than the disease? I am confident that my healthy young children can survive Covid, if they were to get it. Can we all really say the same for the potential long term effects? You can not definitively say yes. You can speculate, but you can not 100% say yes.
6. If years down the road, there is a linkage to the vaccine and different health conditions, and the State Board of Health made the ruling that Nevada universities will make it mandatory, is there some liability involved for the board? What recourse do parents have for you, the board, make this mandatory? What if you made this mandatory and my child then gets myocarditis as a side effect?

I urge you to take every voice into consideration while making this decision.

I am not opposed to masks, especially for those not vaccinated. If masks work so well, that should be enough.

We need to let people make their own choices about their health. We are a free society so please do not mandate something that you do not 100% know the potential threat.

Sincerely,

Danielle Garrett