

Choice Was Never Supposed to Exist in Healthcare

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Editor's Note

It really is funny when Microsoft Word just decides that a heading is on page 1, when it's on page 2, definitely doesn't make me want to rip my hair out or anything. Also, is it really an editor's note if the writer is writing it and 5 million other philosophical questions that will keep you up at night longer than your girlfriend ever will.

Don't take this essay seriously, I just got pissed at a YouTube shorts video and decided to write an entire 7 pages of mostly standard Arial, 11px size text. If you are wondering why the editor's note is so small too, it's almost like it's not supposed to really be important in the first place.

Writing an essay out of my own will was actually very fun, writing it across a span of an entire 4 days, actually got to express my feelings even if it's just to myself, almost funny what growing up in a society does to someone, but I digress. I am not going to trauma dump in a fucking word document.

Anyways, I am a busy student so this definitely won't be proof read, I had 4 tests last week, 2 this week, another 4 the next week, and after the next week I have 2 and probably another 2 or 3 to add since we are nearing the end of the textbook chapters and teachers said that we are going to need to do a test soon, because elementary school wasn't bad enough, despite by modern adult career standards, elementary schools would probably be considered institutions housing free slave labour.

Anyways, have fun reading the essay if you even bothered reading the editor's note despite basically no one actually reading them unless it's just me, I don't care that you fucking used sources from Marcus Aurelius's secret safe hidden between a labyrinth in his house, write literally anything else, I swear editor's never write anything relevant except source related shit in the editor's note. Do you have literally zero idea what to write and it's just pure filler? I just rambled about my life problems and nearly filled half the page already with 9px Calibri font.

The Introduction

I always wondered why people even cared about what their doctors are doing, everyone believes in letting the experts do all of the work, like we live in some kind of utopian technocracy, yet by some miracle the second their own child is involved and the doctors need to do some major thing after the surgery, for example give the child medicine due to a low heart rate or whatever, all of a sudden it's all about free choice, god forbid doctors do their work while you are sitting (un)comfortably in the hospital seat while Timmy over there laying in his hospital bed is slowly dying from whatever complications that unearthed themselves after the surgery. Let your child die in peace, in the name of liberty.

Liberty is an important thing, but is it worth sacrificing the potential of walking out alive of the institution, private or public that is not only in name, but in purpose itself designed for keeping the common man alive? Maybe I am just not enough of a radical anarchist to get angry about doctors doing their own job of keeping you alive. Just maybe not letting the doctor operate on you just because you have some "allergy" which in reality you just made the fuck up to feel special and rebellious, because your own ignorance and stupidity has led you down the path of having not only a victim complex, but an ingrained ignorance of the modern library of Alexandria, sitting right under your fingertips inside the that thing called your phone, I know it's hard to understand something so complex especially when your brain is so low-functioning to the point where in order to justify your opposition to any and all authority you make up "allergies" in order to justify your bullshit, but just maybe try to use that brain of yours at least once in a while?

It almost amazes me how dumb a person can be while they are or someone else is sitting/laying on their own death bed, waiting for the finality of death to overcome them and take them away to a another plane of existence, never to be known by humanity or anyone else who deems themselves and is deemed by others to be "alive".

Why bother giving the uneducated choice over the ill?

Who in their own right mind thought that any of this was even remotely close to a good idea? Who do you think is seriously better qualified to deem what is right on a case-by-case basis to decide whether the patient should be treated one way or the other? You may say that "But no every single person working in a hospital actually cares about the patients or the good of the people! They could just be in it for the money." Well, I have a few questions to ask. Who spent 10-12 years of their life studying their own field of medicine? Who spent that time in their life to be a doctor? Have you spent all of that time on educating yourself to become a medical professional? Do you seriously think you have anywhere near the amount of knowledge and competence that the medical professional has? Are you seriously deluded so much to the point where you seriously think that some uneducated and completely random person like you deserves the right to come out of the wood works and declare that here by, by your own decree, your blood transfusion or whatever other treatment shall be declared null and void, thrown out, never to be at least attempted? In spite of all of those years of education, is it not enough to convince you that someone who has spent 12 years of their own life, being passionate about the study of healthcare in order to help the people? Humanity has spent years perfecting the science of keeping you alive just for you to seriously decide to just not care about their aptitude and decree that you shall not be treated in this way just because of some imagined "allergy", when in reality you just have an issue with authority, or let's be real here, an issue with someone just being plain smarter than you on a topic

relevant to keeping you alive? I know it may be extremely satisfying to maybe even inadvertently save your own life despite being a complete uneducated fool, but just because you want to feel special and like you saved your own life because you are the smith of your own fate and just so you have the official bragging right to declare that you were in fact smarter than the medical professional, but just maybe you should sometimes reconsider and just let the professionals do their own fucking job instead of being a pretentious asshole? Maybe it will even save your life some day? Who am I even kidding, people who have these kinds of dumbass opinions and beliefs, whose entire fundamental basis is just wanting to feel smart and better than someone else when logically it's clearly obvious that the person who has spent an entire 12 years of their own life on studying medicine is just clearly better than some random member of the proletariat.

He who proclaims himself “King”, will never be a true “King”

What is the point of behaving like you are better than someone else exactly? Actions may speak louder than words, but sometimes a mere presence of words and hypotheticals are more than enough to draw a conclusion that someone is mad. The saying “A king does not need to proclaim himself king” truly resonates with one's brain when they realise one's own failure and lack of aptitude. I may be an anarchist, but just because I love my own perceived freedom, does not mean I shall sacrifice my own logic for the sake of principle. I can understand why one may hate having a master above him, or not even a master, we are talking about medical professionals doing their jobs not about the government, so not even that applies here. No one really likes seeing someone better than them, but just because the ego feels hurt due to not being “correct” or even get to participate in a given situation where the matter is life and death, does not mean that one should sacrifice all reason for the sake of healing their own bruised ego that is bruised merely because the ego perceives itself as bruised. How can one's ego be bruised when the consequence barely exists? It's like being angry just because an important test you studied for was cancelled because the teacher couldn't show up that day, if anything you should be grateful for not needing to stress over getting something wrong and facing the consequences, in healthcare you can just easily blame it on the doctor, the only reason I am so apathetic to any potential risk of death is because this isn't the 18th/19th century anymore, we aren't drilling people's skulls open to “fix” their brains anymore. The risk of death is so negligent in our society that people barely even care about cars passing by them or patiently waiting for them to cross while they are listening to music with headphones on maximum volume, people choose to be this ignorant and apathetic in a situation that can easily cause them to die yet when they already suffered consequences it's all of a sudden “different”, how badly misconfigured is the “course correction” in today's society exactly? Just because you steered left a bit too far does not mean you should twist the steering wheel all the way to the right, even better, twist that bitch off and throw it out the window, see how far that gets you in life. Also, in that school scenario you should be grateful not only because you do not need to stress due to it being test day, but also because you can study even more and potentially get a chance to get a 6 due to how excellent your memory is. Yes, the education system is just testing how well you remember things, it is not quantum physics or rocket science, the Elites™ designed it to essentially train kids to remember exactly what to do and do it efficiently and effectively inside of the Bourgeoisie factories, is it even surprising that the most successful people dropped out? They were a master of their own fate and learned to become something more than a mere factory worker, button pusher, code monkey or 5`4

Indian janitor. They took their own fate, invented a new concept, ran with it and became a big shot and no, just because a few of them went bankrupt and killed themselves or whatever rigmarole you are going to tell me, doesn't invalidate it at all, in fact it proves that it a proper solution instead of being a robot and running with whatever your parents are telling you your entire life, which is somehow a size fits all solution according to society, but I digress. Failure of a method proves it works, a method that always works 100% of the time is an oxymoron, how can it work if it never fails? Work includes failure, it is impossible to claim something works yet it is flawless, since work will and always will include failure.

The sacrificial ritual of safety

The ritual of safety requires one to sacrifice his liberty in order to maintain security of his own kind. Many may oppose such attempts at security as drivel imagined by the authoritarian in order to secure his own way of ruling over the masses, yet despite having a hate boner for any and all things "authority", one can't let the hatred of his eye, blind his capacity to reason. I am merely appealing to order and security as a matter of public health and safety regarding that the issue I am discussing is an issue of healthcare and not general government. The only issue I have with the people at hand declaring their lack of co-operation with the healthcare system, despite the way higher likelihood of death if they were to follow through their decision against co-operation with the doctors and nurses and various other staff working their life away in what's essentially just another enclosure for one to go through during his lifespan, before being dropped into a casket to be forgotten for another million years before the universe collapses in on itself, and all is forgotten.

I will now explain the ritual of safety, or at least whatever I just made the fuck up on the spot in order to prove my point.

The ritual of safety is a measure used that often sacrifices your own freedom in order to achieve order and security in your own life, the examples of such I will list down below, since everyone knows that simple explanation is never enough for the common village idiot trying to hopelessly educate himself to understand, I mean education is important, but it's hard for someone to care if you get thrown back into your cushy 9-5 office job by the system, right after reading that communist manifesto or whatever other bullshit you just wasted your life on reading:

- Escorting the family out before a major operation: A common procedure, often required by protocol in many hospitals, after all you don't want the family to do something stupid while the doctors are cutting up the daughter of the family on the operating table, do you?
- Patriot Act: Yes, I obviously need to involve politics, who am I if I don't piss people off? People often feel like sacrificing their own individual and often collective liberty is required in order to maintain peace and safety within their own country's borders, despite that often being plain false, someone needed in the USA to just pass a fuckin' act allowing the Fed's to spy on people more than they already do, because apparently the Fed never has enough spying to do, I assume.
- Escorting the family out before the exorcism: I ran out of ideas, so we immediately go into the more fucked up one's of course, or maybe it's because I woke up after 6 hours of sleep after studying math for like 4 hours, yesterday? Demon's feed on the fear of their own surroundings, so just like in the operating room, you don't want the family to do something dumb, like become

scared while the priest is doing his exorcism to get the demon out, right? After all that demon is going to feed off that fear and resist the exorcism.

Anyways, now that presumably everybody reading this understands what I mean when I say “The ritual of safety”, we can now talk about why sacrificing freedom is sometimes still deemed important even to an anarchist.

Imagine that you walk through the street and a mugger jumps out on the street in order to mug you. Would you rather yet all the cop sitting at the donut shop, eating his donut instead of doing his job to come over and arrest the mugger, despite all cops being bastards and filthy lackeys of the oppressive government that the government uses to do all of their evil bidding, such as collecting taxes, taxes are such a spookety spook, I am going to give Stirner a heart attack at this rate. Or would you rather deal with the mugger on your own?

Despite everybody pretending like they have some kind of moral superiority, we all know that only a few morons will be dumb enough to take out the mugger, who also let’s say has a gun in hand now, for the sake of my own argument, and the rest would just run to the cop for help like a normal person would. Is it really this hard to put your ideological differences aside? What’s even funnier about this is that for all you know, the cop could be an anarchist himself, but obviously cop immediately equals bad, because ACAB and more statements dreamt up by the utterly deranged at 9.

It always surprises me how often people act like they would, at least in theory, sacrifice their own freedom and security in order to establish ideological superiority and establish that magical communist utopia or pure bred, white only identitarian utopia they dreamt of as a child, yes, I just stated that extremists are kids, get over it already, when in reality nearly all of them would sacrifice moral principle based off ideological values.

When blood and sweat is the real cost, all thinking ceases, the truth is lost

I love MTG:R, I never played it because I am fucking poor and pirating it seems impossible or I just didn’t look hard enough, doesn’t prevent me from quoting it though, does it? After all I watched like 10 different video essays on it already.

Meritocracy seems like a fantastic idea in practice, doesn’t it? Well think again, because everyone is a lazy asshole, you want to know the true reason why Communism has failed, and Capitalism prevails? Communism relies on the will of the masses, while Capitalism only requires the few to continue functioning.

Despite my fervent hatred of Capitalism, I still need to admit what is the truth, after all you don’t want to read like a fully biased essay to confirm your own beliefs, do you? You wouldn’t do something so radical, now would you?

The main reason that the unwashed masses think that those intellectually superior to them shouldn’t be listened to is not only due to the ego of the soul, but due to the inherent confirmation bias of stupidity.

“You are telling me that putting dihydrogen oxide through an IV into my child is going to save their life? What goddamn chemicals are you trying to put into my son?!” - Local Idiot Mother

We have an inherent fear of the unknown, you want to know what other fear we have? A fear of being wrong, instilled by the education system early on in life, but I am not supposed to be ranting and raving about how bad the education system is right now. It's almost like you base your entire decision on whether someone can continue their own education and further down the line, get that fancy paper to get that fancy 9-5 office job to waste a third of their life on, you make everyone so fearful of making mistakes, that everyone starts doing anything to avoid making mistakes. I know that myself very well, I still get anxious to the brink of complete mental collapse, which I feel is only an exaggeration some of the time, while studying for all of those important tests that will decide my future as a “useful” person, or in the case of me being an “insubordinate dumbass”, as a “lazy and ungrateful bum” of a person, I sure do wonder why Neet's exist, it almost makes you want to become one considering how bullshit society clearly is, yet no one cares.

Not only anxiety is a symptom of Atychiphobia, yes, I just googled that, but also ironically, being wrong more often, do I even need to re-count the infinitely many times that I forgot a word during a test that I just studied for the day before and also during the break before coming in, just to remember it magically right after the test ends? After the test ends the cortisol levels drop significantly due to not being stressed anymore, you want to know what also gets reduced? The fear of being wrong, which mostly remains dormant, but during the test definitely doesn't just remain “dormant”, and then later on you start having regrets and your life starts falling apart for the millionth time due to stress, just for you to bounce right back up to being happy, because it turns out you got a fuckin' 4+ and mom bought you ice-cream to stress eat through and probably reduce your lifespan by another year.

Meritocracy vs The Will of The Masses

Often the will of the masses collides with the meritocratic Capitalist system of values. Well, at least let's pretend that Capitalism is actually meritocratic. Often people have this magical idea that apparently just because they exist, they are more important than anybody else in their life which is just plain factually wrong, since it's impossible to be smarter than everybody else. The effect of social media on our society has not only greatly expanded the individual ego of the unit, but also made everybody dumber in return for our efforts of creating a system of mass communication. Now morons walk around after sitting in their mother's basement for 16 hours a day around town acting like they are the center of the world, isn't that just fantastic?

You remember when I said that people often just leave things up to the experts? God forbid if it directly affects them since that's clearly just an offense to the entirety of mankind and their own entire existence. After all that doctor trying to vaccinate your child is just a puppet of big pharma trying to make money of either injecting kids with water, demons or whatever other bullshit people will make up just so they can defend their “rights”, we all know that you just want to feel special, but you don't deserve to feel special, you want to know why, it's because you are a moron, that's why. Go read a book and educate yourself if you are going to be an asshole to others, especially professionals, since if they wanted to, they could just whip out some random biology textbook, read it to you and you wouldn't understand a single goddamn thing.

I have a principle that I hold close and dear to my heart, if you want to be an asshole at least know what the fuck you are talking about, you want to commit a murder? At least don't get caught. If people put the same amount of effort into complaining on the internet on learning or working, we would have already landed by mars and we wouldn't even need to rely on Elon Musk to do it for us instead, that is if he actually cares and if it will actually make him money, but I digress.

Compliant When Convenient, Disobedient When the Ego Years

The common folk are always obedient when it is convenient to them, yet when the ego years deep inside, all of a sudden disobedience strikes. The ego of mediocrity lashes out against logic, declaring itself as righteous despite all odds, no matter how ridiculous it may seem.

No questions asked, no thoughts inside, the only thing remaining is anger at the entity it deems dangerous to its own ego and self-esteem even if all confidence has already been shattered beyond any and all kind of repair.

There is a lot of different books and essays and so on about what is supposed to be the "ego", my definition is the ego is supposed to be the self-defense mechanism of the brain's confidence, when proven wrong it desperately seeks to prove itself right, when at least deemed right, the brain celebrates its own confidence and cognitive ability, when later proven wrong it just lashes out again, but harder. Remember when that one time in elementary school the teacher taught you that exponents don't change the sign near the number?

$$-2^2 = -4$$

Now imagine that later in technical school ("technikum"), you get lower grades and so you get sent to a tutor to teach you, now imagine that after all of those fucking years the tutor tells you that exponents do change the sign, which actually makes sense since:

$$-2^2 = -2 * -2 = 4$$

It really makes you want to blow your brains out, doesn't it? The ego lashes out since after all of those years you have not only been lied to by the public education system, but also been doing it wrong this entire time, so you essentially had lower math grades from math for all of those years, just because of this.

In video games there's status effects called "nerfs", everyone already knows about them, but am I just supposed to assume that older people won't read this? Nerfs essentially just make your gameplay harder, reducing your max health or stamina and so on. Bad education is unironically just like that. A teacher gets one thing wrong in math class and now it haunts you for the rest of your entire life. Truly terrible, isn't it?

I am probably going to write about the public education system in another essay, but for now I of course digress. Would be unwise to rant about something unrelated to the topic at hand after all.

Summary of This Bullshit

In summary, instead of letting the uneducated masses decide about their own medical care, we should just leave it up to the experts. Informed consent is all important and so on, but who actually cares when not only does no one listen or really care, the people with 12 years of theoretical experience and 1-10 years of practical experience (The maximum is 10 just because I am pretty sure working any longer would make someone blow their brains out) probably know better than some random guy with a knee injury on the street who just came in and probably works some blue collar job.