

## **Submission to the Covid-19 Response Inquiry by Maureen van der Linden**

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- Vaccine mandates which led to two-tiered society, ie. jabbed versus unjabbed
- Social inclusion from workplace, family, friends etc leading to ongoing mental health issues.
- Children kept from school for long periods leading to ongoing social concerns and evidence of poorer educational outcomes.
- Vaccines were insufficiently researched, leading to serious vaccine injuries, some potentially life-threatening and some fatal, a devastating outcome.
- Vaccine mandates still in place for some workers, eg. nurses and firemen, and some educational institutions, despite the now- known fact that the vaccines do not prevent transmission of the covid virus.
- Those needing hospitalisation re the covid virus or unrelated issues were subjected to sub-standard care, mental distress from isolation from close family, even when the patient became seriously ill, or worse, were actually dying.
- Those whose loved ones died were subject to the most distressing separations regarding funerals and related bereavement.
- Sealing of State borders denied family members or close family contact with their dying members, and even in death.
- Commerce was seriously affected not only by lockdowns but closing of these State borders.
- Mask mandates without evidence of effectiveness
- Social anxiety due to forced lockdowns and isolation forced on any suspected of carrying the virus leading to mental health issues.
- Churches forcibly closed with the threat of prohibitive fines if they remained open even if attendees kept the mandated space.
- Churches locked but brothels open, very strange choice here.
- Police brutality regarding quarantines, lockdowns and personal messaging.
- Those participating in peaceful protest were treated as criminals.
- Infiltrators to peaceful protest led to law-abiding citizens being “tarred with the same brush”.
- Protests, such as Black Lives Matter, seemed to be given celebrity status whereas those democratically protesting against heavy lockdowns and unreasonable mandates were run down by our police, who used to be our protectors, and even suffered being shot with rubber bullets.

A Royal Commission must be held so that the many concerns regarding the recent pandemic will not be repeated.

Our society is still suffering from the heavy restrictions imposed, resulting in a society that is now more fractured and uncaring, less trusting of one another.

Our country, Australia needs to stand alone from WHO and come to a consensus regarding future pandemics which are customised to our island continent.