

Commonwealth Government COVID-19 Response Inquiry

Governance: There needs to be far more transparency about the decision-making processes of the National Cabinet. The scope of this inquiry specifically excludes unilateral actions taken by state governments but how do we know that any of their actions were unilateral when we do not know what the National Cabinet discussed and which actions all state representatives endorsed? The measures taken in Australia were quite consistent across the states which suggests that no state acted unilaterally.

Key health response measures: The public health messaging produced fear and panic, causing much disruption; at personal, family, social group and whole of society levels. Bullying and ostracism were rife and mainstream media contributed to anxiety and discord in the community. Although the statistics of actual cases and deaths were available on government websites, and showed that the virus was not nearly as fatal as all messaging implied, this information was not announced to the public. Fatality rates from around the world were measured and ranged from 0.93% to 3.06% of cases, which is far lower than during historical influenza epidemics. In South Australia, from 920 cases, 4 people died. This occurred before the roll out of the Covid-19 vaccines. After the roll out of these vaccines, not only did the number of cases escalate, so did the death rate.

The Western Australian government has released its 2021 Vaccine Safety Surveillance Report

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which shows that adverse effects from the Covid vaccines far outstrip those of all other vaccines combined.

It was totally irresponsible of the public health departments to promote the use of these vaccinations, knowing that they were only provisionally registered by the Therapeutic Goods Administration and therefore could be administered only if a public emergency had been declared. There was a complete overreach by Police Commissioners everywhere who kept extending the emergency powers month after month, when those powers are supposed to be temporary and used only in a real emergency which the COVID-19 outbreak was not.

On 11 March 2020, in his speech declaring the pandemic, the Director General of the World Health Organisation stated repeatedly that the virus could be controlled and that the number of cases was declining. Why then was a pandemic declared? Why was there a rush to develop vaccines when, pre-vaccine, the virus was being successfully controlled? Could it have something to do with the fact that the WHO, like the TGA in Australia, is largely funded by pharmaceutical companies? The WHO also receives large contributions from [REDACTED] is on record as saying that his investment in pharmaceutical companies is far more lucrative than software.

In my opinion, the WHO and the TGA are not to be trusted. The WHO kept changing the advice about masking and recommended unprecedented measures that did not feature in Australia's Pandemic Response Plan developed in 2019. Why did Australia's governments and health agencies throw out the plan carefully developed over time in favour of unexamined, draconian practices applied ad hoc and without any scientific or ethical basis?

The scope of this inquiry mentions some of the side effects of the measures taken by considering supports that can be given to “people impacted by COVID-19 and/or lockdowns (for example mental health and suicide prevention)” and “Support for industry and businesses” and “Financial support for individuals” as well as “Community supports (early childhood education and care, higher education, housing and homelessness measures, family and domestic violence measures”

These supports would not be required if lockdowns, QR codes or signing in, masking, social distancing, vaccine mandates and other means of fear-mongering had not been used. Never apply these again; we have no desire to live in a police state, controlled by lies and exaggeration.(1984)

Clearly, you are aware of the reports and statistics that provide evidence of the deleterious effects of lockdowns, etc. So, why would you consider repeating actions that have done so much damage in both human and economic terms, and then providing “support” for those affected?

The latest OECD figures show that educational attainment in schools across the world has declined; which is why Australia has still managed to squeeze into the top ten despite the falling standards in mathematics and literacy which have been widely reported in local newspapers. On-line learning is less effective than face-to-face teaching and is also discriminatory. People who cannot afford the best technology or who have only one computer in a house where several young people are trying to study at home are cut off from the online lessons. A quarter of the students in my university tutorials were unable to access the Zoom technology and so were left to teach themselves as best they could. Even students who were “present” sometimes disappeared as the internet connection dropped out, their plan had expired or there was a power failure.

According to their feedback, university students found it very difficult to cope with online learning; how did Early Years and Middle Years learners manage?

School closures occurred in many countries, sometimes for as much as a year, and this is having a lasting impact on young people, not only in terms of educational attainment but also with respect to delayed or impaired emotional and social development caused by isolation, as well as by students and staff being obliged to wear masks.

Masking is harmful physically, cognitively and emotionally. A list of studies supporting this contention is attached. Even Professor [REDACTED], who was England’s Deputy Chief Medical Officer from 2019 – 2021 and is currently CEO of the UK Health Security Agency, testifying at the UK Covid Inquiry admitted that the effectiveness of masking is “uncertain”. The masking rules were not even logical: wear a mask when standing but not when sitting?? If people’s brains had not been so blunted by panic fear, far more questions would have been asked.

Lockdowns prevented many small businesses from opening and social distancing cut their profits even after they were allowed to open. This had the roll-on effect of making it difficult for people to make mortgage repayments and led to financial insecurity and, in the worst cases, homelessness. Conversely, huge corporations like supermarkets and liquor stores were allowed to operate more or less as normal. So companies making billions in profits were shielded while small and family-owned businesses went to the wall. Just whom were the Covid measures protecting?

Is it sensible first to prevent people from working, then to support them financially with government handouts? How do you explain allowing hairdressers and beauty salons to open but not podiatrists?

If you study the *Universal Declaration of Human Rights*, as promulgated by the United Nations, you will find that half of those human rights were infringed by Australia's response to the Covid pandemic. What happened here was nothing short of cruelty.

The risk now is that Australia will accept the WHO's amendments to the International Health Regulations and we will be helpless to prevent repetitions of the misery of what are now being called the "Covid Years". Please study carefully what the WHO is proposing, particularly the paragraph where it is recommended that the words "human rights" be deleted.

Recommendations:

Spend money and other resources on educating people about healthy life-styles and good nutrition, instead of promoting healthy-eating pyramids that pander to big business. (e.g. Cow's milk is for calves, not humans and feeding cows hormones to keep them "pregnant" is abhorrent. Yet, most people are convinced that milk is healthy.) Processed foods full of additives should be far more strictly controlled.

Our society is over-reliant on taking drugs to control health problems; it would be far better to avoid getting sick, as far as is possible. A healthy immune system is the best deterrent for any virus.

Do not allow Australia to become a signatory to the new WHO Pandemic Treaty; preferably withdraw from the WHO altogether. That organisation did the world no favours during the "Covid Years".

Never allow a "No jab, no job" policy to be suggested, let alone enforced. Mandatory vaccination is a violation of human rights and contrary to the *Nuremberg Code*, the *Commonwealth Constitution*, the *Biosecurity Act 2015*, and the official *Australian Immunisation Handbook* among others.

Follow the procedures outlined in the Great Barrington Declaration (<https://gbdeclaration.org/>)

Prevent vested interests from slandering people who propose solutions and provide information not approved by organisations funded by pharmaceutical companies or with links to vaccine manufacturers. Always check the affiliations of people and institutions providing health advice.

Professor [REDACTED] suddenly became "controversial" and "anti-vax" when he pointed out that vaccinating people during a pandemic would simply cause the virus to mutate faster. [REDACTED] turned out to be right but not before his reputation and that of others who agreed with him was tainted by mainstream media and internet "Fact Checkers". The same slander was aimed at those who said that the novel corona virus was manufactured in a laboratory in Wuhan where immoral gain-of-function experiments take place. The people who lied about that, notably Dr [REDACTED] who controlled the USA's Covid responses, were eventually exposed.

Follow the money!