

I have worked in a Secondary College year 7 -12 as a part of the Wellbeing Team for 14 years. The harm caused by the mandatory shut down of schools, citing covid as the reason is still being experienced by young people, their families and their school communities.

This inquiry is not sufficient and we need a Royal Commission into the handling of covid by the Federal and State governments. Removal of an individuals freedom in the form of mask mandates, mandated vaccines, curfews and lockdowns was totally unnecessary and out of step with best health practices, which were practiced by countries that overcame covid without the systemic issues that we continue to have years later!!!