

Call for submissions and evidence to the COVID-19 Response Inquiry

To whom it may concern,

My concern throughout the COVID Response was governance. While I understand that the Australian Government was dealing with something that was largely unknown, the measures that were taken were excessive and harmful on the health and trust of the Australian people. The Governance of the Medical Profession by APRA severely compromised the patient -doctor relationship. A Doctor was bound by APRA to promote the vaccine even when they knew their patient was vulnerable to heart conditions and therefore at risk when taking the vaccine. The Medical profession faced the threat of deregistration if they gave any advice other than take the vaccine. This is a direct contradiction to the first rule of being a doctor 'firstly do no harm' to your patient yet they were forced into an impossible situation of promoting something that may cause harm or be de-registered.

The governance for promoting the vaccine was blatantly deceptive. We were told that the vaccine was safe and effective when the pharmaceutical industry really had no idea whether the vaccine met either of these promises. It takes 5 years to give a conclusion that a vaccine is safe and effective yet we were told after 5 months of trials to take a untried and untested vaccine with full confidence. What made things worse was that anyone who questioned this deceptive promotion of the vaccine and refused to take it was put out of their jobs by the vaccine mandates placed on a large number of industries. The media was then used to apply social pressure to take the vaccine when by using your common sense it was unwise.

There are many other areas that I could comment on like the use of excessive force by the Police, the social effects of lockdowns, current excess death rates, but governance is the number one thing that needs to be addressed in this inquiry. I am in contact with a large number of people each week because of my profession. The most prominent effect I have seen through the Governments poor governance is a deep suspicion about the Governments, Medical Profession and Media's intentions. If there is not a proper treatment of this inquiry you will further promote this suspicion. This inquiry cannot just be about finding a few positive things we have learnt. To regain the trust of the Australian people this inquiry needs to hold our leaders to account for the deliberate abuse of power and an investigation into the benefits that came to our Government, Medical Profession and Media in supporting the narrative of the Pharmaceutical deception of safe and effective.

I thank you for the time you have given in reading this submission. I am encouraged and have full confidence that you will act in a way that restores the Australian people's trust in their Government.

Yours Sincerely,

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