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To whom it may concern

There are many things throughout the last 3 years during the COVID-19 pandemic period that have not been addressed or thought through properly.

- Loss of job(s) due to mandatory vaccination requirements. My husband lost two jobs due to not being able to prove vaccination status. The process of trying to survive without work and no employer taking on anyone unvaccinated was horrific. Let's not mention the process of trying to get jobseeker payments to survive only to get knocked back time and time again!
- Mask mandates - although the public health order specified a mask was not mandatory in public schools, the Education department chose to mandate masks without supplying evidence as to how they came to that conclusion nor were they held accountable for this non-scientific based decision. This resulted in our son being suspended from school which caused unnecessary mental and physical stress!
- Even though vaccines were not tested enough (especially) for transmissibility [REDACTED] those unvaccinated within society and the workplace were treated like lepers, there is NO justification to be treated like that. Three years down the track I'm still unable to work in my original workplace due not being fully vaccinated against COVID-19. We are living with COVID-19 so why does vaccination status still impact where you can and can't work? Why is the government not insisting that all workplaces remove these mandates? Government's inaction on lifting all mandates in workplace is still impacting people both mentally and financially.

There are many instances where the handling of the COVID-19 pandemic was flawed. It has affected many families significantly and unfortunately we continue to feel the repercussions of these bad decisions.

THERE MUST BE AN INDEPENDANT INQUIRY INTO COVID-19 RESPONSE WITHIN AUSTRALIA AND ALL OVER THE WORLD.

Yours sincerely,

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