

I am a private free Australian who has been working in a clinical capacity in the public healthcare system for approximately 10 years. My faith in the integrity and honesty of the Government and the entire public healthcare system has been terminally affected by the years following the start of the pandemic. Government and Corporate partnerships combined with secrecy and censorship from the Australian people have been the primary drivers of this loss of trust.

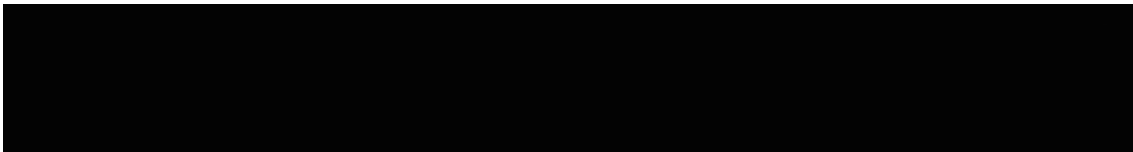
The major issues plaguing Australia's pandemic response were:

### **Transparency**

From the beginning of the pandemic Australian's were kept in an information vacuum apart from the corporate media who fed us a steady diet of sensationalist fear porn. National cabinet was formed in order that the federal government could implement their covid response via the State Premiers. These meetings were kept secret, and the government fought tooth and nail to keep information from the Australian people when former Senator Rex Patrick lodged a FOI request. Rather than be open with the Australian people the government chose instead to introduce the COAG Legislation Amendment Bill 2021 (COAG bill) which further erodes the democratic principles of this country.

<https://lsj.com.au/articles/the-debate-over-national-cabinet/>

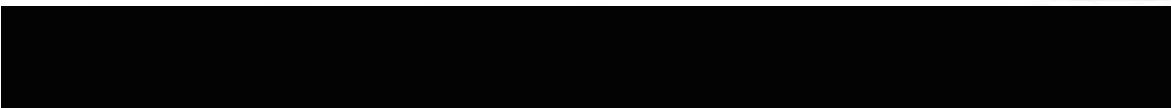
The Australian Government entered into hasty and secret commercial in-confidence deals with private corporations who have a history of fraud and unethical behaviour, in order to secure inadequately tested gene therapies for use on the Australian people. These deals to this day have not been disclosed and there is mounting evidence questioning the safety of these flawed therapies.



The Governments secrecy and lack of transparency have led to an all time low in trust in our political institutions and any inquiry needs to look at strengthening the rights of Australians to access information in order that they may make an informed decision about Government decisions that seriously affect their lives.

### **Conflicts of interest**

The TGA is almost exclusively funded by the industry it is supposed to be regulating. Only 7% of the TGA's funding comes from public sources. This is one of the lowest amounts for a therapeutic regulatory agency in the world. In addition to this, many of the TGA's high ranking employees go on to lucrative careers in the pharmaceutical industry after their tenure at the TGA, or they rely directly or indirectly on pharmaceutical funding in their academic careers. An example of this is



<https://www.health.gov.au/committees-and-groups/australian-technical-advisory-group-on-immunisation-atagi?language=und#members>

Attached is the document titled *Conflict of Interest* which outlines many more of these conflicts by members of Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI).

Many of our high-ranking public servants have links to organisations such as the WHO and the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] which places into question their independence when they have affiliations with organisations that have the potential to profit financially from Australia's Pandemic [REDACTED]

Our regulatory agencies need to be unshackled from reliance on funding from the industries that they regulate. This will always be a fundamental conflict of interest and undermine the public confidence in their independence. In addition to this, executives in control of public health and regulatory agencies should not be allowed to benefit financially or professionally from the industry they regulate for a specified period during, and after, their employment within government agencies.

### **Censorship**

Throughout the pandemic access to reliable and open information was constricted by an opaque and secretive government who provided little detail on the evidence or necessity of pandemic measures. A constant call to authority by referencing 'the experts' (no not those experts) who quite often had conflicts of interest or whose careers relied on confirming the government narrative. AHPRA ensured that registered health practitioners could not openly debate or choose to question government policy without fear of being suspended and investigated. I was one of those health practitioners who received the AHPRA warning.

Our government colluded with private technology corporations to censor information contrary to the governments and the pharmaceutical industries narrative. This often involved censoring the legitimate voices of genuine experts in their respective fields who were openly debating the safety and efficacy of Australia's pandemic response. This behaviour is the sign of an illiberal and authoritarian government and bureaucracy that has no interest in the welfare and rights of the Australian people. This Orwellian control on information is now being legislated through the Disinformation/Misinformation Bill 2023.

<https://news.rebekahbarnett.com.au/p/breaking-the-australian-government>

Freedom of speech and free access to information is a hallmark of a free society, if we lose this right, we can no longer be considered a free country and I am shocked that this simple and once treasured principle is now being openly and unashamedly threatened. Governments that have censored and controlled speech have never been the good guys. The best way to combat misinformation or a bad idea is through open and well-reasoned argument in the marketplace of ideas. With the significant resources available to the federal government and a compliant corporate media, if you cannot convince the Australian people to adopt a course of action then you are most likely either wrong, or incompetent to lead this country.

### Disregard for fundamental Human Rights

The government voted against the vaccine indemnity bill further showing it has more interest in the finances of corporations and big pharma than those of the Australian people. In addition to this less than 5% of claims for compensation from the governments vaccine injury scheme have been approved.

<https://umbrellanews.com.au/featured/2023/06/government-stalls-on-compo-for-covid-vaccine-injuries/>

Our government is also accepting international agreements in the form of the WHO's International Health Regulations (IHR) that remove reference to *human rights, dignity and freedom of persons* and make these agreements legally binding in International Law. These agreements would undoubtedly be used during the next pandemic which according to the IHR would only need to be a 'potential' issue rather than a defined and declared event. This international agreement contains many concerning elements that effectively cede power to a single global authority whose funding relies on donors from private companies and billionaires. Below is a list of some of the concerns with the IHR's.

1. Encouraging 'Gain of function' research.
2. Giving the WHO a blank check to create new rules in the future.
3. Liability-free vaccines developed at warp speed will be produced.
4. Human rights guarantees have been removed in the new amendments.
5. Social media surveillance and censorship of citizens is required.
6. We may not learn what is in the amendments until after they are passed.
7. The WHO Director-General could become your personal physician.
8. When will the WHO be able to use its newly minted powers?

<https://merylness.substack.com/p/eight-items-of-major-concern-regarding>

<https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/december-deadline-who-pandemic-treaty-ihr-amendments/>

In closing Australia and its people need to remain sovereign above corporations and international agreements, and all our rights should be founded on the principle of individual liberty, bodily autonomy, and freedom of expression. The only way to truly learn from the last four years and ensure that Australians are prepared and safe during the next pandemic is to hold a Royal Commission. I demand that the government cancel this weak inquiry and hold a full-blown Royal Commission into Australia's pandemic response with broad all-encompassing reference to get to the bottom of what worked, what didn't and what we need to do next time.