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Our body's autonomy is critical. We are all different and there's not one thing that can work for all of us. Below is more information to support this bill.

A <u>new study</u> by a team of top medical experts shows unequivocally that <u>booster shots</u> for young adults are not safe. The credentials of the authors are unimpeachable. This is not a "fringe" group, an "anti-vaccine" group, or a conservative group that can be accused of having some kind of political axe to grind.

In this post, I will give you highlights of the study first and then details about the authors' impeccable credentials.

If you want a more in-depth analysis of the study itself, molecular geneticist Dr. Joe Wang, Ph.D., and I have <u>written an article</u>, "'Unethical' and up to 98 Times Worse Than the Disease: Top Scientists Publish Paradigm-Shifting Study About COVID-19 Vaccines," for the Epoch Times. Published last night, on Saturday, <u>our article</u> has been shared over 9,000 times and has 365 comments on it. (This, despite being cloaked by Google's search engines, <u>censored by social media</u>, and behind a paywall.) The paradigm is shifting, people, as we speak.

Highlights: "Covid-19 vaccine boosters for young adults: A risk-benefit assessment and five ethical arguments against mandates at universities"

- Students at colleges and universities in North America risk being kicked out of school if they do not want to get a third dose Covid-19 vaccines. One of my children faced this dilemma. Sadly, that child felt they had no choice. In order to stay in school, despite the fact that they had already had a confirmed case of COVID-19, they got the third vaccine.
- A risk-benefit assessment of boosters in this age group reveals that 22,000 30,000 previously uninfected adults between the ages of 18 and 29 must be boosted with an mRNA vaccine to prevent just one Covid-19 hospitalization.
- Using CDC and sponsor-reported vaccine injury and adverse events data, the scientists found that booster mandates cause what they call a "net expected harm": per Covid-19 hospitalization prevented in previously uninfected young adults, 18 to 98 serious adverse events will occur, including 1.7 to 3.0 booster-associated myocarditis cases in young men, and 1,373 to 3,234 cases of vaccine injuries and health problems so serious that they will interfere with daily life.
- For these reasons, and others, the authors argue that colleges and universities are acting unethically when they mandate vaccine boosters.

The mandates are unethical for five specific reasons:

- 1) No formal risk-benefit assessment exists for this age group.
- 2) Vaccine mandates may result in a net expected harm to individual young people.
- 3) Expected harms are not outweighed by public health benefits given the modest and transient effectiveness of vaccines against transmission.

- 4) Mandates in the United States violate the reciprocity principle because rare serious vaccine-related harms will not be reliably compensated due to gaps in current vaccine injury schemes.
- 5) Mandates cause wider social harms, including including <u>widespread discrimination</u> <u>and exclusion</u>, ostracism, severe emotional distress, fear of being deported, and more. The authors of this study are the world's top experts. No one can legitimately use ad hominem attacks against this team. So, if the information you've been trying to share with your loved ones, medical doctors, or university professors has been greeted with skepticism or outright dismissal because it's written by "outliers," this study has no such perceived taint.

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Here are the 9 study authors, listed in alphabetical order:

(I've copied and pasted the more relevant parts of their biographies from each of their respective institutions or websites.)

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Baral has also been involved in HIV epidemiology, prevention, and implementation research focused on the epidemiology, human rights contexts, and effective interventions for gay men and other men who have sex with men, transgender women, and female sex workers across Western and Central, and Southern Africa and parts of Asia with support from USAID, CDC, NIH, amfAR, and the Global Fund. In addition, he has led or supported the implementation and evaluation of HIV prevention studies globally characterizing effective combination HIV prevention packages for key populations across multiple low and income countries. He currently acts as the Director of the Key Populations Program for the Center for Public Health and Human Rights at the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health.

Dr. Kevin Bardosh, Ph.D.

Kevin Bardosh is an applied medical anthropologist and implementation scientist focused on using social science and community engagement to improve public health delivery and policy. Most of his work, across more than 20 countries, has focused on the epidemiology and control of human, animal and vector-borne infectious disease. As of early 2020, his applied public health projects include working to control lymphatic filariasis in Nepal and India); working to eradicate malaria in Haiti; fighting against cholera and Ebola in the Democratic Republic of Congo; controlling sleeping sickness in Uganda; ending chronic kidney disease in Ecuador; and stopping onchocerciasis in Benin, West Africa. Bardosh has a strong commitment to capacity building, interdisciplinary science, operational research, and health system strengthening. He

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Dr. Tracy Beth Høeg, M.D., Ph.D.

Beth Høeg is a native of Wisconsin and a Danish-American double citizen. She received her B.A. in French and graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. She received her medical degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin. Following Transitional Year Internship at Gundersen Lutheran in Wisconsin, she and her husband moved to Denmark for seven years, where she worked in ophthalmology and earned a Ph.D. in Epidemiology and Public Health from University of Copenhagen. She then completed her residency in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at University of California at Davis, where she was Chief Resident. After that, she did a fellowship in Interventional Sports, Spine and Regenerative Medicine in Napa, California.

Høeg is highly qualified to treat disorders and injuries of musculoskeletal system such as tendon, joint, cartilage and bone as well as disorders of the spine which can cause neck, back and sciatica pain. Additionally, she is highly qualified to diagnose conditions of the peripheral nervous system and musculoskeletal system using EMG/NCS and diagnostic ultrasound.

Dr. Høeg has a special interest in harnessing the body's ability to heal itself through exercise and movement as well as by stimulating the body's ability to heal itself through orthobiologic medicine such as platelet rich plasma, proliferative therapy such as dextrose as well as bone marrow aspirate concentrate.

An avid runner, she has run on the American Team in the World Championships in Ultramarathon running and on the Danish team in the World Championships in Mountain Running. She has led a number of research studies and is part of ongoing research with Stanford University at the Western States 100 Mile Run. She works as a scientific journalist for Ultrarunning Magazine as well as a peer-reviewer for numerous scientific journals. She is currently affiliated with the Florida Department of Health as well as the Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Euzebiusz Jamrozik, Ph.D.

<u>Euzebiusz Jamrozik</u>, a postdoctoral fellow at the University of Oxford, completed his Ph.D. in Bioethics at Monash University in Melbourne, Australia. His doctoral thesis covered a range of emerging issues in infectious disease ethics related to asymptomatic infection, drug resistance, vector-borne diseases, and human challenge studies. During doctoral work he interned at the World Health Organization's headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, and was an Andrew Markus visiting scholar at the Ethox Centre under the tutelage of bioethicist and moral philosopher, Dr. Michael Selgelid.

Jamrozik is co-author of <u>Human Challenge Studies in Endemic Settings: Ethical and Regulatory Issues</u> and co-editor of Ethics and Drug Resistance: Collective Responsibility for Global Public Health (Springer-Nature, 2020). He has contributed to

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Keshavjee is the Director of Harvard Medical School's Center for Global Health Delivery and Professor of Global Health and Social Medicine in the Department of Global Health and Social Medicine at Harvard Medical School. He is also Associate Professor of Medicine in the Division of Global Health Equity at Brigham and Women's Hospital. Dr. Keshavjee has been leading the Harvard Medical School Center for Global Health Delivery since 2014. Under his direction, the Center addresses some of the most pressing global health challenges by focusing on research, medical education and training that promises to improve healthcare delivery systems and patient outcomes for diseases prevalent in the United Arab Emirates, Middle East, North Africa and neighboring regions. The Center also provides opportunities for faculty and students to pursue research related to the delivery of existing or new interventions that can cure or prevent disease, specifically in the following priority areas: diabetes and obesity, infectious disease, mental health, and surgery.

With advanced training in both medicine and anthropology, Keshavjee is a leading expert in drug-resistant tuberculosis treatment and the anthropology of health policy. He is the author of Blind Spot: How neoliberalism infiltrated global health. He has worked extensively with the Boston-based non-profit Partners In Health on the treatment of drug-resistant tuberculosis. Over the last 22 years, Keshavjee has conducted clinical and implementation research in Russia (2000-present). He was also the Deputy-Director for the Partners In Health's Lesotho Initiative (2006-2008), launching one of the first community-based treatment programs for multi-drug resistant tuberculosis/HIV co-infection in sub-Saharan Africa. His research has resulted in a number of clinical and policy manuscripts on tuberculosis and multi-drug-resistant tuberculosis, which have had significant clinical and policy impact. He is also leading an initiative at Harvard Medical School on how to achieve zero deaths from tuberculosis, and has been working with global partners to build the Zero TB Cities Initiative.

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Dr. Martin A. Makary, M.D.

Marty Makary is a surgeon, a New York Times bestselling author, and health care expert at Johns Hopkins University. He writes for The Wall Street Journal and has served in leadership at the World Health Organization. Makary is the recipient of the 2020 Business Book of the Year Award for his book, The Price We Pay, which has been described by Steve Forbes as "A must-read for every American." He is also the author of the highly acclaimed book, Unaccountable, which is an exposé of the systemic problems rampant in American hospitals.

A public health researcher, Dr. Makary leads efforts to improve the health of communities and focuses on the "re-design of health care" to make health care more reliable, holistic, and coordinated, especially for vulnerable people. He leads national efforts to increase medical transparency and lower health care costs for everyday businesses and consumers.

Clinically, Dr. Makary is the chief of Islet Transplant Surgery at Johns Hopkins and is the recipient of the Nobility in Science Award from the National Pancreas Foundation. He has been a visiting professor at over 25 medical schools, has published over 250 peer-reviewed scientific articles, and has been elected to the National Academy of Medicine. A graduate of Bucknell, Thomas Jefferson, and Harvard Universities, he completed his surgical residency at Georgetown University and his specialty training at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

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VPZD show is active on <u>Substack</u> and also runs a YouTube Channel <u>VinayPrasadMDMPH</u>. Hopefully by now I've convinced you to print out <u>their 50-page study</u>, read it in its entirety, and also forward it to literally every doctor, university administrator, lawyer, student, healthcare worker, and lay person you know.

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