

Concerns of the Unvaccinated

Here is a list of 12 concerns why the unvaccinated (including myself and my wife, Pam) will remain unvaccinated against covid-19. For us this is an accurate list and I'm thankful to the author, Dr. Janet Smith, for pulling these many thoughts together so concisely. They come from a longer essay "The Fake Theology Behind Vaccine Mandates" which is a critique of a National Catholic Reporter article by M. Therese Lysaught where Lysaught tries to make an argument that Catholics MUST receive a covid-19 vaccine. Smith disagrees and explains why. Smith's essay appeared in Crisis Magazine on-line September 27, 2021.

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Figure 1 - Dr. Janet Smith

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Many of those seeking exemptions from the vaccines are familiar with groups such as America's Frontline Doctors, who warn about the misinformation the government and the CDC have put out about COVID-19 and the vaccines. For Lysaught not to acknowledge the work of such groups and attempt to refute them considerably undercuts her credibility. Has she truly dialogued with those who question the safety and efficacy of the vaccines? Does she know their concerns? Can she answer their concerns?

These are some of the concerns of the unvaccinated:

1. There are been an endless string of [lies](#) told by Dr. Fauci; [lies](#) about the origin of the virus, [lies](#) about the effectiveness of masks, lies about the dangers of the vaccine, [lies](#) about herd immunity, etc., With some regularity over the last two years Fauci has had to [reverse](#) his positions—reversals that often confirm what the skeptics have believed. Most importantly lies have been told about [such effective early treatments](#) as ivermectin and hydroxychloroquine. It is horrifying that [Australia bans doctors](#) from prescribing ivermectin.

2. MSM and social media have been [censoring](#) qualified, credentialed doctors from raising concerns about the COVID-19 vaccines. The truth is always best discovered when all the counter-evidence and reasonable arguments are given due attention. That is not happening with the COVID-19 vaccines. Not surprisingly this censorship exacerbates distrust of authorities and experts.
3. The deaths from COVID 19 have been [grossly over stated](#).
4. Few people die from COVID-19 alone; co-morbidities are so frequently present, it is difficult to determine the true cause of death. From the [CDC](#):
For 6% of the deaths, COVID-19 was the only cause mentioned. For deaths with conditions or causes in addition to COVID-19, on average, there were 2.9 additional conditions or causes per death. The number of deaths with each condition or cause is shown for all deaths and by age groups. Values in the table represent number of deaths that mention the condition listed and 94% of deaths mention more than one condition.
5. Those who die with COVID-19 are typically [elderly](#). 56.8% of those who die with COVID-19 are over 75 years old; the average lifespan in the US is 79 years old or so. 78.5% of those who die with COVID-19 are 65 or older. Can we not protect our elderly in ways other than subjecting the whole population, most at little risk of death from COVID-19, to an experimental vaccine? Fewer than 1% of the fatalities with COVID-19 are under 29 years of age.
6. People are [dying](#) from the vaccines, perhaps even [more](#) than with COVID-19. It is likely that the numbers are greatly [underreported](#). One [study](#) shows the vaccines cause more harm than good. In fact, it is possible that the Covid vaccines are “leaky vaccines” that [accelerate the spread](#) of more deadly variants.

7. No one knows the [long-term effects](#) of the vaccines.
8. People who get vaccinated still die from COVID-19; how effective can the vaccine be? What other vaccine requires that the vaccinated be [protected](#) against the unvaccinated?
9. Critics of the COVID-19 vaccines experience extreme cognitive dissonance in watching politicians and celebrities advocate wearing masks and making exceptions for themselves; of churches being closed and abortion clinics left open; of numbers of people at funerals being limited to immediate family while demonstrations for politically-correct purposes being permitted. How can there not be enormous suspicion of the information given to us by those who make these decisions? Can people believe health is the first concern of those who make these decisions?
10. Those who have natural immunity from having had COVID-19 are still required to get a COVID-19 vaccine even though [studies](#) demonstrate that natural immunity is much more effective than vaccination! More cognitive dissonance.
11. Surprisingly high numbers of [health care workers](#), many with natural immunity from COVID-19 and many at risk to their own lives who cared for patients with COVID-19 for well over a year, are declining to get a COVID-19 vaccine, even though the refusal is costing them their jobs and is causing a shortage of healthcare workers, which harms everyone.
12. Australia has become a [police state](#) because of irrational fears about COVID-19. Unless some people resist that coercion, the erosion of fundamental freedoms in the US will continue.