

October 12, 2021

Dear Dr. Viliam Makis:
CPSA #: 023044

Re: Open letter to Dr. Verna Yiu

CPSA has been provided with a copy of the open letter to Dr. Verna Yiu of Alberta Health Services regarding opposition to mandatory COVID-19 vaccination for AHS employees. You have been identified as being a signatory on this letter, a copy of which has been appended.

For your awareness, when CPSA receives such a correspondence with a physician's name identified on it, it is our standard practice to maintain a copy on the physician's record at CPSA.

We have been made aware that some individuals who are alleged signatories on this letter did not agree to this or were not aware that they were named as a signatory. We are contacting you to ensure that you are aware of this letter. Please inform us at COVID19@cpsa.ab.ca if you did not agree to be a signatory and we can have your response also documented.

Please contact us at COVID19@cpsa.ab.ca with any questions that you may have about this letter.



Dr. Susan Ulan
CPSA Deputy Registrar

Enclosure

HEALTH PROFESSIONALS UNITED

Standing Together Against Mandatory Vaccines

Open Letter to AHS

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Sent via email

September 20, 2021

Dear Dr. Verna Yiu:

This open letter is in response to your announcement of mandatory full vaccination for all AHS staff by Oct 31, 2021. We represent a wide range of vaccinated and unvaccinated health care professionals from multiple disciplines, who are deeply concerned about these mandatory vaccinations.

There are many reasons why we stand against mandatory vaccination and highlight some of them below. These concerns are supported by peer reviewed publications and statements by established organizations:

- These mRNA vaccines have NOT been proven to prevent disease uptake nor disease transmission supported by the CDC's Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report August 6, 2021 / 70(31);1059-1062 (among other reports) where it is stated "Real-time RT-PCR Ct values in specimens from 127 fully vaccinated patients (median = 22.77) were similar to those among 84 patients who were unvaccinated, not fully vaccinated, or whose vaccination status was unknown (median = 21.54)". Asymptomatic unvaccinated people have never been proven to be more infectious or transmit more disease than vaccinated individuals.
- The overall survival rate from covid is approximately 99.7% and varies by age and underlying health status.
- The vaccine is showing weakened efficacy after only a few months. AHS's own data shows currently approximately 25% of all new cases are in fully vaccinated patients and over 18% of hospitalizations are also fully vaccinated with percentages increasing as weeks go by.
- The United Kingdom and Israel – two highly vaccinated countries have extremely high percentages of hospitalized patients being fully vaccinated. Indeed, the Israeli Public Health Department recently estimated the efficacy of the Pfizer vaccine had fallen to 39% against the Delta variant and another recent study from the Mayo clinic had similar numbers at 42%

- Historically, scientific consensus has been that natural immunity is superior to vaccine immunity. Many health care workers are already Covid recovered and immune. What evidence does AHS have for mandatory vaccines in those individuals?

As front-line health care workers, we have witnessed serious adverse events, including deaths, that were temporally, closely associated from the administration of these vaccines.

- As per VAERS data (US vaccine injury database), Aug 27, 2021, at least 650,077 people in the US have been injured and 13,911 people have died soon after the administration of the Covid vaccine. These numbers could actually be 10-100x higher as a Harvard study showed only 110% of all adverse events are actually recorded. The Harvard study's findings are corroborated by our experience that the vast majority of temporally related adverse events are not being correlated and reported by healthcare workers. If we don't correlate these temporally related events and report them, the data will never be there to accurately assess causality and truly ensure safety, which is the bedrock to obtaining proper informed consent.

We believe that the proposed vaccine mandate is contrary to section 2 of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms* "freedom of conscience and religion" as well as section 7, "the right to life, liberty and the security of the person and the right to not be deprived thereof except in accordance with the principles of fundamental justice."

Based on our experience, the above arguments (plus others not listed in this letter) and our evaluation of the current literature, we decisively conclude that we are in strong opposition to mandatory vaccination. As of Nov 1, 2021, or earlier, AHS's decision to implement such a mandate will prevent many dedicated health care workers and other AHS staff from performing the jobs they have done valiantly over the past eighteen months. This will put our currently severely strained health care system under further undue and needless pressure and put more Albertans at risk due to our inability to provide care for our patients. We respectfully request that the vaccine mandate be rescinded immediately so that AHS Health care workers can continue to provide care for Albertans.

cc. Dr. Laura McDougall, Senior Medical Officer of Health, AHS
Dr. Francis Belanger, Vice-President of Quality and CMO, AHS
Dr. Debrah Wirtzfield, Associate CMO, Physician Health, Diversity & Wellness, AHS
Patrick Dumelie, Covenant Health
Dr. Owen Heisler, Covenant Health

Current AHS affected health care signatures: 3544

73 Physicians:

Andrew	Deborah
Ascione	Marc
Baghirzada	Leyla
Bailey	Karen
Barry	Chantal
Beever	Richard
Binette	Brett
Botha	Johannes
Braganza	John
Burke	Judy
Butcher	Shaun
Chan	Gregory
Chin	Justin
Classen	Dale
Dang	Bao
Darsaut	Tim
De Wet	Steyn
Der	John
Eder	Genevieve
Fenske	Theodore
Gerber	Christiaan
Gordillo	Chris
Graham	Robert
Gray	Christine
Greyling	Schalk
Grobler	Gert
Haggag	Maged
Hanton	Dave
Hardin	Evelyn
Hoyer	Vaclav
Ip	Viv
Jomha	Nadr
Klay	Donna
Koebel	Martin
Komierowski	Beata
Kruger	Ockert
Laubscher	Laurette
Lawrence	Patrick
Liebenberg	Andrew
Linttell	Ryan

Lipp	Christopher
Loewen	David
Loge	John
Lounsbury	David
MacCarthy	Colm
Makis	Viliam
Mather	Cheryl
Modry	Dennis
Mortis	Garth
Moser	Joanna
Nalder	Byron
Nixon	Donald
Owen	Martin
Parvanov	Tzvetan
Princ	Michal
R	Daniel
Reedyk	Martin
Reich	Christy
Riddell	James
Roberts	Rachel
Rotzinger	Deborah
Rudzki	Tasha
Savage	Luke
Senekal	Margaretha
Sobolev	Igor
Topstad	Dawnelle
Trethart	Tris
Vila	Mike
Walters	Wade
Weighman	Tim
Yagos	Tracy
Ziouzina	Olga
Zwanepoel	Helen

Note: all other names have been redacted for length