

## When Considering Mass Vaccination Plans, Legislators Must Employ An

# Abundance Of Caution

**This is a time for an abundance of caution, not blind reliance on fast-tracked vaccines based on incomplete science and inaccurate data. As things stand now, any policy for a COVID 19 mass vaccination program would jeopardize Americans' rights, safety, and lives.**

1. **There is insufficient data to determine whether a vaccine is even appropriate.** Infection rates are unknown, as testing is rarely done, and results may not be accurate. Mortality reports are currently based on unverified assumptions, as on March 4, 2020, the CDC's National Vital Statistics System issued [recommended](#) that COVID-19 should be reported as cause of death *even when it is only assumed, without testing, to have contributed to a fatality.*<sup>1</sup> Even so, the current COVID mortality and ICU data reveal that [the models](#) which drove the extreme mitigation efforts were incorrect; reported cases and deaths are drastically [lower than predictions](#). Meanwhile, PA's Department of Health abruptly [stopped tracking flu deaths](#)<sup>2</sup> on March 28 and issued [guidance for death certificates](#)<sup>3</sup> based on assumed COVID diagnosis.
2. **Safety of a new vaccine cannot be established for many years,** according to vaccine experts, including Drs. Paul Offit and Peter Hotez. They [warned us](#) that vaccines targeting this new Coronavirus strain could trigger lethal immune reactions when recipients come in contact with the wild virus, as seen in [previous animal studies](#)<sup>4</sup>, and more recently with children's deaths from [dengue vaccine in the Philippines](#). It is neither science-based nor safe to take results from [experimental drug trials](#) on only 40 healthy individuals and then extrapolate them to millions with unknown medical histories, genetics, environmental exposures, and living conditions.
3. **There is absolutely no accountability.** Vaccines fast-tracked under the PREP Act [carry no liability](#); nobody will be held accountable for either vaccine failure or vaccine injury. Neither public health officials nor news agencies have disclosed this information. Even by [Bill Gates' optimistic outlook](#), a minimum of 700,000 people will suffer adverse reactions - and the real extent of potential harm is unknown. (Meanwhile, the vaccine manufacturers will see [massive profits](#)<sup>5</sup>.)

**In the absence of long-term studies, informed consent would be impossible, yet Pennsylvanians [may be forced](#)<sup>6</sup> to accept a flawed, rushed-into-production, liability-free vaccine just to return to work or normal life. We are counting on our Legislators to prevent this threat from becoming our reality.**

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvss/coronavirus/Alert-1-Guidance-for-Certifying-COVID-19-Deaths.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/Flu/Pages/2019-20-Flu.aspx>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/Flu/Pages/2019-20-Flu.aspx>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/22536382>

<sup>5</sup> <https://theintercept.com/2020/03/13/big-pharma-drug-pricing-coronavirus-profits/>

<sup>6</sup> <http://www.wkok.com/gov-wolf-responds-to-requests-to-loosen-restrictions-on-business-closures/>