

Possible Dangers of Mandated COVID-19 Vaccination: A Special Interview With Barbara Loe Fisher

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Dr. Mercola

Welcome everyone, Dr. Mercola, helping you take control of your health and today we're joined with a veteran, the famous Barbara Loe Fisher, who is the co-founder of the National Vaccine Information Center (NVIC), which is one of the best organizations out there, certainly one of the oldest providing objective, non-biased information about vaccines to help people make an informed choice about whether or not they want to participate in the vaccine program. Welcome and thank you for joining us today because we've got loads of information to discuss since the last time we talked.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

That's so true.

Dr. Mercola

[Crosstalk 00:00:38].

Barbara Loe Fisher:

In a way, it's a culmination what's happened this year of everything we have been talking about for the last decade. I know back in 1993, I started to predict that the day would come when Americans would not be able to participate in society without showing proof they've been vaccinated with whatever the government says they have to be vaccinated with, and I think we're most definitely heading that way right now. It's been unprecedented what's happened in this country, and really around the world since January.

Dr. Mercola

A very clever and sophisticated strategy to implement that goal, for sure, and most of us or many of us believe it was planned for certain. I think that is probably the main topic of discussion, and there's so many other things that we can go on and tangents to it, but it's this mandatory vaccination. Why don't we start there because there are some legal proponents like Alan Dershowitz, who is a famous attorney who's represented I believe the president before in certain cases and Epstein and other prominent individuals. He has a position on mandatory vaccines, which would be shocking to you if you heard it. I'll let you describe it best because your jaw drops. I mean he uses a justification of a Supreme Court ruling in 1905 which was in a reference to the smallpox vaccine.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yeah. I watched the interview by Dershowitz and he was quite reckless in the language he used. I mean he basically said that the Supreme Court in 1905 in *Jacobson v. Massachusetts* [gives] the right of state governments to come in and take you, and forcibly inject you with a vaccine. That's not really what *Jacobson v. Massachusetts* said. There's no question it was a utilitarian ruling and [said that] for the greater good, state legislatures could pass a law requiring you to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated during an epidemic, an outbreak of disease. In that case, it was smallpox because that was the only vaccine they had in 1905, but you have to read the Supreme Court decision very carefully to understand everything that the justices said.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

There's no question they basically concluded, and I think wrongly so, because utilitarianism, which is based on a mathematical equation that some can be inconvenienced or sacrificed in effect for the greater good of a majority of people, that the court decided that people could be inconvenienced or [who] that opposed smallpox vaccination could be required to be vaccinated during epidemics. Even religious objections could be overridden, but there's also language in that decision that says that the court is not to be interpreted as meaning that if an individual was at risk for being harmed by the vaccination, they were not meant to be concluding that cruel and inhumane to the last degree would be the standard that would be used.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I think Dershowitz overstated the opinion, although it is a utilitarian opinion. It gives authority to the states to mandate vaccines because anything that define the constitution as a federal activity is reserved for the states. Public health laws, by and large, in this country are written by the states, and the federal authority is requiring vaccination for people crossing territorial borders of the United States [an the federal government] as well as they could mandate vaccines for interstate travel – that is crossing state borders – but most public health laws that legislatures make are for the residents of the states, which is why we have a patchwork of [vaccine] laws in this country.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Some states have flexible medical religious and conscientious belief exemptions, and some states have eliminated all but the medical, very narrow medical exemption. It's because the people that you elect in your state legislature are responsible for making these laws, and I'm very worried though that some attorney is going to try to challenge Jacobson in the 21st century and try to challenge the ruling when I think that probably in any court right now, you're going to get that ruling upheld and you're going to get it strengthened. I would advise against [challenging] that one in the Supreme Court.

Dr. Mercola

It occurred to me as you were discussing this that there is an important, pragmatic step that everyone needs to recognize. So, let's take the worst case scenario that your state decides to mandate this vaccine or any vaccine. "How are they going to enforce that?" becomes the practical question. They are going to rely on the local police or typically the sheriff's department, and the sheriff has the authority to deny a governmental order. As far as I understand, they do not have to enforce what the government says. It's based on their decision, so that's why I believe it is so important to know who your county sheriff is, and get to know them and get to develop a relationship with them, and get them on your side.

Dr. Mercola

If they're not on your side, you'd want to consider moving to a different county where they are. Fortunately, I live in Florida that has an unbelievable sheriff, one of the best out there and he would not enforce these types of draconian measures. What are your thoughts on that?

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Well, that's true that the sheriffs and certainly there had been some comments made by sheriffs during this pandemic with some of the draconian lockdown orders. They're not happy about enforcement by the police of some of these orders in states like New York and California, where there has been quite a

restriction on civil liberties, but I think it's also important to remember what Jacobson, what the Supreme Court said in 1905.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

The states have the power to mandate, but the states have also the power not to mandate, and they have exemptions, which is why in 2010, the National Vaccine Information Center created the NVIC Advocacy Portal, the online portal where we monitor state legislation, vaccine-related legislation and let people know when proposed bills are moving in their state, that they can then contact their legislators and say, "We want exemptions protected. We want our informed consent rights protected." The message really is, that the very first step is we have to start in this country developing personal relationships with the officials that we elect because bad laws can be-

Dr. Mercola

Like the county sheriff.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Well and the county sheriff, yes, but let's hope – I mean because we're a nation of laws, let's hope that what's happened this year is a lesson to the people that unless they elect legislators who are going to reflect their values and beliefs, traditional values and beliefs that have been respected in this country for 245 years. Unless we elect good people, we're not going to have good laws. The Millennials and the Gen Xers have got to start running for office if they want to have a future, where they're going to be literally free to be able to enjoy freedom of speech and of conscience and thought, and freedom of religion, and the right to assembly.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

All of these things that were protected in the U.S. Constitution Bill of Rights, we have to elect people at the state level and the federal level on Capitol Hill who are not going to [sell] out, who are not going to sacrifice their integrity for money. These legislators, we know that the pharmaceutical industry is the biggest lobby on Capitol Hill. These legislators, we've got to build a firewall between government and industry that has been completely broken down in the last 40 years. Since I came into this work, I can't believe how there is a public-private business partnership that has been developed by the federal agencies with the pharmaceutical industry.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

We were talking earlier about H.R.6666 introduced in the house of representatives on May 1 now with 59 co-sponsors, and what does that bill do? It would give over a hundred billion dollars to the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) to hire people in this country to go out and knock on doors and test you for COVID-19. If you test positive, then they're going to try to find out and trace all your contacts, and they can quarantine you in your home or if they don't think you're going to stay in your home, they can quarantine you in a mobile unit. This is a violation of a number of amendments in the constitution that protect our right to life and liberty, that protect our right to be free in our homes, and not be literally taken out of our homes and put somewhere the government wants to put us.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

If we do not start to become aware of these laws that are being passed by legislators on Capital Hill and in our state legislatures, we are going to be a captive people who don't have civil liberties anymore.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah. It becomes again somewhat of a pragmatic issue though, because there's certainly one effort to do that legislatively, but the practical component is that almost everyone watching this has a smartphone and that smartphone is one or two operating systems, either Android or iOS. The next time you update your software, you will have a contact tracing app integrated into the software, the operating system of the program. It will be there. No way around it. You will be contact-traced. Even without legislation, the software is on your phone, unless you don't update. I don't personally plan on ever updating my phone again, so it might be too late for some because those program updates were the third week of May.

Dr. Mercola

If you've updated your software, then you've got a contact tracer on your program.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yeah, I think there's been some discussion about, "Can we turn that off?"

Dr. Mercola

I don't think so. It's integrated into the operating system I believe. There's no way out of that. Once it's in there, it's in there. I am literally shocked that Apple consented to this because they have been such a staunch advocate of privacy issues, and this is an egregious violation of privacy.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Well, we can certainly see the power grab by the government and by Big Tech and by the pharmaceutical industry during this COVID-19 pandemic. This was sprung on us so fast. It moves so fast from the end of January where the WHO (World Health Organization) said, "Oh, there's a public health emergency of some concern," and the CDC declared a public health emergency of concern, but it wasn't until March 11 that the WHO said this COVID-19 is a pandemic. Within weeks, we had a lockdown of this country, the likes of which we've never seen in other countries as well, that has completely brought our society to its knees.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

We're seeing this erosion of civil liberties because unless you take liberty from the people and they're doing it in the name of safety, you cannot do the kinds of things that we've been talking about. I think that it's like that frog in the boiling pot, right? Little by little, they've turned the heat up and when we started to go in the state legislatures and people started to show up by the thousands in the last five years as the lobby, the pharmaceutical public health and medical trade lobby went into the states and tried to take the exemptions away. We've seen Americans stand up in thousands and thousands in these state legislatures.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I think they weren't very happy about the fact they couldn't eliminate all these exemptions, to force vaccination. Right now, they're taking advantage of a situation and they are determined to take away our right to make voluntary vaccine choices or indeed, I believe, health choices. I think this is as much about that they get an assault on holistic health as it is about vaccination.

Dr. Mercola

Unquestionably and they knew, they knew they were losing ground thanks to organizations like yourself and-

Barbara Loe Fisher:

And you and-

Dr. Mercola

- so many others of us who are telling the truth, so they leveraged up. Last year, almost a year ago precisely, they took hundreds of us, censored us out of Google. We cannot find it in search engine anymore, so that was a big step. Then they took it the next step and created the fear of God in every one, they're going to die of this engineered [virus] that in reality wouldn't touch them if they were metabolically healthy and vitamin D sufficient. They're using that fear to leverage the implementation of these draconian programs. I want to go into the details of the upcoming vaccine because that is going to blow people's mind, and I know we're going to have a great discussion on.

Dr. Mercola

Before we do, I want to follow up on one of the statements you made just earlier with respect to the collaboration, the collusion would be probably a better term for it between government and industry, and their participation that most people are not aware of. Can you describe that in more detail?

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Well, what's happened is this idea that the government needs to be a business partner with the vaccine manufacturers is really something that occurred in the 20th century and it occurred with a lot of help from Bill Gates, who's a businessman turned philanthropist, who has spent the last 20 years after he was charged with antitrust violations with Microsoft. He has spent the last 20 years trying to buy his good name back by becoming a philanthropist who focuses almost exclusively on vaccinating the world and of course, he's either the richest or one of the top three richest man in the world.

Dr. Mercola

No, the richest is Jeff Bezos.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Okay. Well, he's up there in the top five...

Dr. Mercola

Yeah, I think he's number two.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Okay, number two.

Dr. Mercola

Which is interesting though, he's donated tens of billions of dollars-

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yes.

Dr. Mercola

- maybe 20, 30, 40. I don't know. It's tens of billions and since those donations, his net worth has doubled. The reason why is because he is able to go through - it's not even legal loophole. What he's doing is illegal. He's making investments in his trust that he gets a tax donation for and companies that he personally benefits from. It's mind-blowing, but it's a tactic that's commonly used and never legally enforced, and he's basically a criminal creating more wealth and getting the side effect of being this perception of being a philanthropist. He's the furthest thing from a philanthropist. He's just furthering his personal agenda, and we've done a number of different series on this. The Corbett Report has done an unbelievable [inaudible 00:18:29]...

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Unbelievable report.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah. He's got four parts and we've done an article on part one and two and one in part three and four. I mean it's just amazing, and he especially integrates the vaccine information in there very, very effectively. If you haven't watched it, watch this directly or watch our report on. We've embedded his complete videos on our site.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Well, all I know is having sat here for almost 40 years watching this vaccine empire unfold, I know that Gates' entry into this world has changed everything really. He was a big proponent because he's a businessman. He's a big proponent of these public-private partnerships between the government and non-governmental organizations like his and the pharmaceutical industry. Certainly, he is one of the biggest funders of the WHO and GAVI. I mean almost everything that has to do-

Dr. Mercola

Well, I think he is the biggest funder. He was number two, second to the U.S., but Trump has pulled out funding. I think well, he has suggested, at least at this point in time he hasn't, but he's implied that he's going to permanently remove funding and actually have the United States drop out of the WHO. That's what he's threatened and I'm hoping he engages in that behavior because we do not need to be in that organization as a country.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Well, Gates is definitely the biggest non-government...

Dr. Mercola

Yeah, yeah but now he's number one of any government because U.S. is not funding [inaudible 00:20:07].

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yeah, yeah. He is a big believer in as I said vaccinating the world and GAVI [the Gates-funded Vaccine Alliance], this pharmaceutical really organization is all about pharma. All these companies are involved in vaccinating the world and the COVID-19 vaccines that are being fast-tracked to licensure with additional funding from governments like the U.S. government. Half a billion dollars to one company and half a billion dollars to another. Moderna is a NIAID-supported vaccine. It's a lot of money that's been given to these companies to fast track these COVID-19 vaccines using technology that's never been licensed before, DNA messenger, RNA, nanoparticle-

Dr. Mercola

Well, let's go there now. What you're referring to is what has been termed Operation Warp Speed and it's taking off on the war analogy, and has been analogized to something similar to the Manhattan project for COVID-19. Who did they put in charge of Operation Warp Speed? Well, they picked their heads wisely. They picked an individual who was the head of GlaxoSmithKline, GSK, for the development of the [2009 H1N1] swine flu vaccine called Pandemrix, which injured many people and was awarded hundreds of thousands of dollars in compensatory damages, but it would fail miserably, didn't protect anyone. They put this guy in charge of the [Operation Warp Speed] program.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yeah. Again, there's no firewall, is there?

Dr. Mercola

There's none. This is a company, I don't know if he works for them anymore, but they've paid billions of dollars in damages for fraudulent behavior. It is also true for Merck. These companies are not flawless. They're making mistakes all the time, and that's one of the reasons they engineered that passing of the Vaccine Compensation Act in the '80s, so that they would not be held liable for any damage that the vaccines do.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Right. We fought like so hard to try to get protection from them completely eliminating all liability for the vaccine companies in 1986, but Congress ended up giving them a partial liability shield. However, Congress did not give them a shield from design defect lawsuits, that is failure to make a vaccine safer. That didn't happen until 2011 when the U.S. Supreme Court in *Bruesewitz v. Wyatt* eliminated the design defect liability that the companies had. At this point, you can't really sue the companies. It was really after 2011 that the pharma, medical trade and public health lobby started to go into the states and try to take away all the [vaccine] exemptions because there was really no more liability for these companies.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

In 1987, after the law was passed, all the vaccine administrators, people who give vaccines were given liability protection in an amendment to that law. The original law, it was very different from what it is today and the problem is, is it's been eroded by the Department of Justice and the HHS and the pharmaceutical companies and the courts. I think that people need to understand too with these pandemic vaccines, COVID-19 vaccines, in 2006, BioShield 2, which is called the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act basically indemnifies all drug companies who make vaccines that are used during a public health emergency or a pandemic.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

All the companies have no liability and anybody who gives the vaccine or mandates the vaccine or whatever, enforces use of the vaccine is not liable either. When these COVID-19 experimental vaccines are fast-tracked to market, I mean it usually takes five to 10 years minimum to get a vaccine tested and on the market, license it on the market. They're talking about ramming this process through at 12 to 18 months maximum. These companies are going to ask the FDA (Food and Drug Administration) for emergency use authorization (EUA), which is allowed during pandemic declarations to get these vaccines potentially used by healthcare workers to begin with as early as the end of this year.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

They are greasing the skids to get these vaccines out using technology that has not been licensed yet for humans, and I think that's what everybody needs to understand. They're not going to know a whole lot about the adverse effects, particularly long-term adverse effects of these vaccines or whether or not they actually protect if they try to get them out in six months or 12 months. You just don't have the time to get that information.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah. Even the most staunch advocates of vaccine programs like Paul Offit and Peter Hotez and even Fauci himself recognize that 12 to 18 months would be the bare but minimum, and they all agree to that. Trump and others have said and made a commitment to having hundreds of millions of this vaccine available this year with the intention to immunize everyone by January of 2021.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Well, I think there's a difference, and I think we need to acknowledge there's a difference between making the vaccine available and forcing everyone to take it.

Dr. Mercola

Of course, yeah.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I have not seen the administration so far get behind the idea that there would be force used.

Dr. Mercola

Right. He was making it available. I didn't mean to indicate that he was a proponent of mandatory vaccine. That is not what I meant to say.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yeah.

Dr. Mercola

Thank you for that distinction, but the potential availability of vaccine will be, and I want to go into that now. Now, Moderna just did a press release, a ridiculous, a beyond insanely ridiculous piece of trash that essentially catapulted or magnified or increased the sales or the worth of their company by tenfold. What did they say? They said they had human trials that started in March of this year. They were testing humans for this vaccine. Humans, not animals. Humans in March of this year, and the preliminary report

was that eight of the 42 that were tested, that's like 17%. Okay, 17% produced antibodies. They took these antibodies and they put them in a Petri dish, and they said, "Yeah, it seemed to work against the disease." That's all they did.

Dr. Mercola

You would think they had this incredible victory. That means absolutely nothing and especially in light of previous COVID vaccines which showed that in animal studies to ferrets that when they were administered the vaccine, they did indeed were able to generate a humoral antibody response that produced antibodies to the virus. When they expose these animals to the infection, they all died. They all died.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Enhanced disease.

Dr. Mercola

Enhances the disease and most likely, that's exactly what we're going to predict with this. They are looking to take out hundreds of thousands if not millions of people with this disease. It could be probably one of the biggest public health disasters in the history of the world.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Well, in those trials there also were four individuals who had a grade III systemic reactions.

Dr. Mercola

That's minor. I mean they had a local reaction.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Well, no. No, grade three if you look at the definition by HHS, grade 3 requires medical attention, potentially hospitalization. There wasn't a lot of description about what the full range of symptoms that those individuals suffered, but grade 3 – there's grade 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Five is death. Four is really severe, but 3 is not so insignificant. Again, we don't have all the information, just like we know that the ages of the participants were between 18 and 55.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah, they were healthy. They're healthy people.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

They were all healthy.

Dr. Mercola

They were healthy people. Yeah. Not people with metabolic dysfunction as far as they can know.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

That's very concerning because only 4 in 10 Americans are actually healthy. If you go on the CDC's website, on the chronic disease portion of their website, you see that 6 in 10 Americans have one

chronic disease, and that's over 50%, and 30% of Americans have two or more – these are adults who have two or more chronic diseases and 25% of children have a chronic illness or disability. We have a catastrophically poor public health report card in this country.

Dr. Mercola

No, but you're quoting an organization that is clueless on steroids or COS because it's not 40% of the people. Ninety percent, 9 out of 10 individuals in this country are metabolically inflexible. They are insulin-resistant and at-risk for developing disease. We have an epidemic of insulin resistance, which leads to increased susceptibility to any infection, especially something like SARS-CoV-2, so that's where the problem is. If you're metabolically flexible and able to seamlessly burn fat or carbohydrates as your primary fuel, then it's almost a non-issue. Then the other variable is vitamin D. This is only 1 in 10 people in this country, probably maybe even 1 in 12 or 15 may be metabolic flexible and have enough vitamin D.

Dr. Mercola

If you have both of those, you're almost bulletproof to developing this disease.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I think it's interesting the vitamin D issue because people predicted that Florida would be devastated [by COVID-19], right?

Dr. Mercola

We are both Florida residents, folks.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

That's right.

Dr. Mercola

Barb came down here two years after I did, but she's so happy that she's in Florida now.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I really am. I absolutely love the light. I love the sun and I feel so much healthier here. I looked around and thought they kept predicting that because we have 20% elderly in this state, that we would be devastated. Around halfway through, I said, "You know what, it's not turning out that way and I think it's because of the sun." I think people have more light and sun here, and the same is true in California. They predicted much more mortality [from COVID-19] in California, but California also has a lot of sun. If you look at the northeast, it rains a lot. New York City, you can walk through those concrete canyons in Manhattan and never feel the sun hit you because the buildings are so high and of course, there are so many people crowded into those high-rise buildings.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I really think vitamin D does make a difference.

Dr. Mercola

There's no question and last week, I interviewed three vitamin D experts. I've been studying vitamin D for pretty much over two decades and teaching people about its importance. They helped me understand in spades and suggested, and I couldn't agree with them more to start a campaign to spread this information to the country. I actually just spent this whole Memorial Day weekend writing up a white paper on how to do this and documenting it with illustrations and the background for to compiling all the evidence because there's probably about two dozen papers already published in the peer-reviewed literature supporting this thesis. We're going to spread out a campaign very shortly for the next week or two-

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Fantastic.

Dr. Mercola

- to not only every individual, certainly everyone watching this is we're hoping that they'll participate, but then creating an army, an army of individuals armed with this information, so that they can go out into their community, their friends, their family, to the church leaders, especially the black churches because those are the other populations who are at risk. Anyone of color is going to have trouble because even if you live in Florida, California, not only do you have to get outside in the sun, but if you have a really deeply pigmented skin, you're going to spend two, three or four times as much time in the sun to get that vitamin D. Those are the people at risk and then the elderly, the people in assisted living facilities, in nursing homes.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Oh, they never get in the sun-

Dr. Mercola

No, but yeah so-

Barbara Loe Fisher:

They never do.

Dr. Mercola

Those are the two populations we're looking for. We're going to create an army and have people just spread that message and-

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I love that.

Dr. Mercola

- get their levels up. I mean ideally we get their blood levels tested, but it's not necessary. We know approximately what the doses should be, but just get them on vitamin D. Fortunately, it's like the least expensive supplement that you could possibly hope to purchase.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

That's such an incredibly important public health effort.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah. I mean far more effective than vaccines.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

That's right.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

In the 1918 Spanish flu pandemic, the H1N1 pandemic, there were doctors who understood and nurses who understood that like with soldiers on ships that were in the holds, they would take them up to the deck of the ship and let them lay there in the sun during that part of the day, to get fresh air and vitamin D. Those soldiers, those sailors did much better than the ones who were kept down in the dark, in the holds. I remember my dad who passed in 2014 at 95. I would go and take him out in the sun because none of those residents were taken out in the sun. We'd put him in his wheelchair and we would take him outside, so he could sit in the sun and I know that it prolonged his life by several years. At any rate, I'm really happy that you're doing that. That's a public service.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah. I think it may be one of the most important contributions I make, and it's not just going to be my site, but I'm going to use the relationships and the networking I've developed over the last few decades and hope to provide this massive natural health alliance-

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yes.

Dr. Mercola

- and get everyone on board because it's not us. They're not coming to our site. We're going to create this independent objective, third party, probably a Facebook platform because that's probably going to be the easiest to reach everyone, and hopefully have tens, maybe tens of millions, maybe even over 100 million people in this group, and just spreading the message to get it out, to counter the ridiculous nonsense. Fortunately, they haven't really I think censored or bashed vitamin D videos at this point. They've pretty much done almost everything else.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yes.

Dr. Mercola

With vitamin C for sure.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Vitamin C, what's up with that? I don't get why they're trying to-

Dr. Mercola

Well, because they're perceiving it as a threat as is, and vitamin C is an effective therapeutic option and thank God, it exists. It's 1 in five, 20% of the population of the world dies of septic shock, and vitamin C could rescue like 80% of them in a combination with a few other nutrients. It's a very valuable tool, but it's being used in this purpose or application as a drug really. At high dose, it turns into peroxide and it's an oxidative agent to help neutralize the infection, but at lower doses, I mean it's useful for prevention, but it's nowhere near the power of vitamin D optimization. Vitamin D, really the immune enhancement in my view is almost one of the minor benefits.

Dr. Mercola

It's major ones is it radically reduces maybe between 50% and 80% the risk of cancer and heart disease, which is the two major leading causes of death. I'm excited to get people who are in massive fear to leverage their fear and use that fear to get them on an optimized dosing regimen to have good vitamin D levels to protect them ostensibly against the infection, but then they get the side effects of radically reducing the risk for heart disease, cancer and probably dozens of other diseases.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Right. Right. Well, it's clear that with this COVID-19 where they said that we were going to have between 1.7 and 2.2 million Americans die with this mathematical models that came out of University of Washington and also the Imperial College in London, which were obviously massively wrong, but still the studies that have come out and said, "Well, maybe a 1.3% mortality rate" and yet I've seen a study recently that is down into 0.26% which is still higher than a normal influenza year but-

Dr. Mercola

Exactly.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

- it's nowhere near what they had predicted.

Dr. Mercola

That was actually the CDC, the 0.26%, but that's overall and certain populations are going to be higher, like those in the people of color and people in the elderly in nursing homes are going to be-

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yes.

Dr. Mercola

- higher than that because they're at risk metabolically and for their vitamin D levels, but other populations who are not at risk, that risk is much, much lower. It's like probably 10 to 100 times lower.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Right, and the publicity that we see every day on the news is that if we don't stay 6 feet away from each other, if we don't wear those masks that we're going to all die. I mean literally, that is the fear that has been instilled in people. I mean certainly the vaccine-aware community, like most of America, is split between people who are very afraid of this new virus and people who believe that the response to the

threat has been excessive and extreme in order to do some of the things that we've been talking about today, and that is more government power, more control, being able to sell more vaccines. It's been a very interesting time, particularly for families who have lost someone to COVID-19.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I remember I think it was March 24 when I saw the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) put out a memo to all the doctors and coroners to basically diagnose anything that had a respiratory component, anyone who died who had respiratory symptoms prior to death, no matter if they had an underlying comorbidity or coinciding poor health care condition, or if even they hadn't been tested for COVID-19, that the death certificate would list COVID-19 as the cause of death. I think we don't really understand at this point in this country since we've had – there have been about 350,000 deaths from COVID-19 reported worldwide by third week in May, and a hundred thousand of those deaths have been reported in the U.S.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Now we do a lot more testing, but we don't know with the criteria that we're using here really whether all of those hundred thousand deaths are actually due to COVID-19 or to something else.

Dr. Mercola

No, they more than likely that that's an inflated number because Birx [Dr. Deborah Birx] told and gave strict orders to over inflate them. She says, "We've got to be liberal on this." I mean she gave the orders and they haven't even close if they even thought they had COVID-19, didn't make the diagnosis. I want to go back to the vaccines because it's bad enough that they're going to have an untested clearly unsafe vaccine, but the way they're planning on administering it is a new twist that I hadn't seen before. It appears they're going to be using an array of microneedles, and I want to get your take on this. These microneedles in one way is somewhat beneficial because they're so tiny, you won't feel it at all.

Dr. Mercola

There's going to be dozens of them and as well it just puts under skin, the little patch you wear and you take it off, but in these microneedles, they're going to have quantum dot tags, which essentially consists of near-infrared particles that scatter light in a way, that create this pattern that can be read by a smartphone with a little sensor attached to it and identify if you were given the vaccine. I'm wondering if you've got any insights on this new method of administration.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Well, this is definitely something that Bill Gates has been pushing. He has been pushing not only that everybody in the world has to get all these vaccines, but also that governments need to be able to track the vaccines that everybody gets, and certainly this type of administration of a vaccine is a double bubble because not only do you get the vaccine in the person, but you also are able to track the vaccine. Your medical record could be at some point completely read by a smartphone on your skin. I know over the years since I've been doing this work, decades ago, people were talking about microchips that I remember when the hepatitis B vaccine was licensed, people were suspecting that there was a microchip in there because it was given at birth, et cetera.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I haven't seen any evidence of that until... I mean I'm really taking a close look at it now because certainly they're determined to somehow implant in some way or have our bodies carry our vaccination records. The immunity passport that Gates is promoting and he's saying that everyone needs to get an antibody test, and then they would have an immunity passport, although there's still an argument going on between scientists as to... WHO is saying, "Well we don't know it after you recover from COVID-19 if you actually get immunity." There are other people, I think there's a study out of France just yesterday that said, "Yes, you do get immunity, natural immunity after you recover from COVID-19," but there's an argument going on by that.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I'm sure WHO doesn't there to be immunity because they want everybody to be vaccinated.

Dr. Mercola

The reason that brings up the controversy is because they are assuming that if you retest positive, they're using the reverse transcriptase PCR test to measure viral particle, this small piece of RNA, which is not the virus, and it could be a dead virus that's completely non-infectious most likely. The viral particles still might be there, but not infectious, so that's what they're calling positive. They're using the PCR test, not the antibody test.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Right. It's a mess.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah. That's an understatement.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

It's like I sometimes feel like it's Keystone Cops, a medical Keystone Cops because-

Dr. Mercola

My favorite saying is "You can't make this stuff up."

Barbara Loe Fisher:

No, I know.

Dr. Mercola

You can't make it up.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

No, and I've been so surprised that people have been so afraid that they've been paralyzed and they're just not – I'm actually just finishing a commentary on the fact that people have really abandoned rational thinking. They just really have totally succumbed to fear. They're not looking at the facts and the evidence, and they're being controlled because they have been paralyzed.

Dr. Mercola

That is by design. We have done a lot of reporting on how Google has really done massive surveillance on the population for the last 20 years.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yes.

Dr. Mercola

They have really understood at a very profoundly deep level what drives behavior, and then not only that, but how to manipulate behavior, which is even more important. I think largely through the data they have accumulated, they've learned how to maximally intensify this fear because fear is unquestionably probably the single most powerful motivating behavior in a human, is fear and they're using it to the max.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yes. I mean, who would have thought even five years ago that Americans would willingly, in the numbers that they have, confined themselves to their homes for months?

Dr. Mercola

Not five years ago, six months ago.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yeah, even six months. You're right. It's...

Dr. Mercola

Six months ago.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

They came so quickly at us. We didn't have - it was a surprise in many ways to many people...

Dr. Mercola

I mean there are probably a handful of people on the planet who might have been anticipating this, but I'm telling you could probably count them on your hands and feet. I mean virtually, no one I know of or I mean not personally, but I've read or any of this had any idea this was coming. It was unpredictable.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

No, they're going for it all right now.

Dr. Mercola

They are.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

American people are going to have to really take a look and figure out if do they want to give up their civil liberties for safety, for an illusion of safety. It's really an illusion of safety.

Dr. Mercola

Do you think now if we've been able to convince people and hopefully others that this vaccine is not going to be good for you, this is the last thing anyone would want to do, anyone. I don't think there's anyone who qualifies to take this vaccine because it's going to be unproven and unsafe, and the likelihood of severe damage is just enormous.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

What I'm concerned about Dr. Mercola is the fact that it's going to alter our RNA and DNA. They say it's not, but basically the way they're making these vaccines, at least some of them, are going to turn our bodies into protein-manufacturing plants. Now if you're somebody who has an immune system that's hypersensitive, that overreacts, people who have autoimmunity, people who have severe allergies, and you can't resolve inflammation in the body easily, and you were talking before how many people really are not well in this country, this is going to affect a subpopulation of people.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I don't know how many, but when you try to stimulate strong inflammatory responses in the body through the use of genetic manipulation and squalene oil-based adjuvants, nanoparticle technology, one vaccine is using electricity to try to hyper-stimulate an immune response, what is this going to do to people who come from families who don't resolve inflammation in the body and become chronically inflamed and chronically ill and disabled because they can't resolve inflammation? This is what vaccines do. They stimulate inflammation in the body. They have to in order to provoke an antibody response, but this is atypical. When you're trying to do this in the body, this is not a normal way that the body mounts an inflammatory response to a microbe.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

They've turned everything upside down and we are just accepting it. Why are we not critically thinking? Why do people think that they shouldn't really do the research and look at the science and look at what's being done before they take a pharmaceutical product or a vaccine? This is what I don't understand. We've totally given up our critical thinking ability and said the experts are going to do it for us.

Dr. Mercola

Because of fear. That fear is the motivating factor, but the other component of vaccines is that there are two primary elements of immunity with respect to facts immune protection, which is humoral immunity antibody which is what they're seeking to do with the vaccine, and then cellular immunity which is the long-term immunity, which vaccines do not touch cellular immunity.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

That's what the RNA, DNA vaccines are going to try to do. That's what they're trying to do with this new technology.

Dr. Mercola

Oh, I didn't realize.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yeah, they say they can stimulate cellular immunity, but at what price?

Dr. Mercola

Yeah, what price?

Barbara Loe Fisher:

At what price?

Dr. Mercola

That's a good point. Yeah, and I don't believe it. I would have to see lots of studies to prove that. Not so much prove that they are actually stimulating cellular immunity, but that there are no side effects, long-term side effects from this.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I agree with you.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah. Interestingly, with respect to the autoimmune side effects from the conventional vaccines, you know one of the side effects of vitamin D is? It decreases autoimmune reactions. By its very nature, it optimizes immune function, so that's a benefit. In fact, I will refuse to treat any person with autoimmune diseases, such as rheumatoid arthritis or MS or inflammatory bowel disease, unless they have their vitamin D levels optimized because it's really, really hard to do that, unless you have optimal vitamin D levels. So, it was kind of a tangent. What I wanted your feedback on is, I guess what strategy or what do you recommend for people to do if they're convinced or to convince the people they love to have a serious consideration about this?

Dr. Mercola

I mean what is your words of wisdom to the public? What are your words of wisdom?

Barbara Loe Fisher:

It's such an emotional issue. I've seen families destroyed. I've seen friendships destroyed over arguments about the vaccine safety issue and effectiveness issue. I think that what people need to do and I've been advocating this for 40 years, is you need to get educated, you need to get the accurate facts. Mercola.com and NVIC.org, we do our research.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

We footnote or we reference all of our information because we want you to have accurate information, and you need to share that information with your family and friends, and your community leaders, and certainly your legislators because the only way that we're going to be able to change government in this country is as I said earlier, we have to elect people who are going to reflect our values and beliefs, who are going to understand that we have a right, a human right to make voluntary decisions about medical interventions, any medical procedure that can injure or kill us or our children. We have the human right to exercise informed consent to use that product or that medical intervention.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

It's basic. It's not hard. We're governed by the laws that are made by the people we elect, and those people also appoint judges at the state and federal level. It all depends upon who we elect, but at the end of the day, if we don't have people who are in place [and instead have], people who are going to tyrannize us, who are going to violate our human rights, then we have to make a decision. As you said earlier, everyone has to make a decision. The police, the sheriffs, an American is going to have to decide, "Am I going to be somebody who is going to violate the civil rights and the human rights of my fellow citizens, or am I going to be somebody who follows my conscience and who understands the cultural values and beliefs that have really guided this country for more than two centuries?"

Barbara Loe Fisher:

I think it all comes down to taking personal responsibility and making a choice, and I am hoping, I am praying that most Americans understand that we have got to fight for our freedom and for our liberty, our civil liberties. It's what has kept this country free for, as I said two, centuries.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah. Along those lines, you developed a magnificent resource, your [NVIC Advocacy] Portal, which has been so helpful at preventing so many states from passing or removing the vaccine exemptions, and I'm wondering if you've modified it any way or scaled it up in a way to help prepare your community and those interested because the beautiful thing about the portal is it works locally. It connects you to people, to network or where you live. Have you changed that in any way to prep people for this oncoming potential mandatory vaccine?

Barbara Loe Fisher:

We're right now in the process of upgrading that portal to make it more user-friendly. We've been thrown off track by everything that's happened this year, our schedule, but we are both upgrading NVIC.org-

Dr. Mercola

Good.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

- as well as the Portal. Yes, if you go on right now, if you become a user of that Portal, it's free.

Dr. Mercola

It's free, yeah.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

You'll be put in electronic contact immediately with your own representatives at the state and federal level. We do both state and federal. It allows you to communicate instantly with your legislators, but the beauty of the portal is we have a staff who constantly monitors vaccine-related bills that are being proposed in the states and at the federal level, and we send you action alerts that are tailored just to you in your state. In other words, you don't receive action alerts from what's happening in other states. It's about you and where you live, and that will allow you to, for example, either contact your legislators to make your voice heard or until recently, you'd be able to go and attend a public hearing that may be taking place in the bill.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

You see, what's happened since this lockdown is it's prevented people from actually being able to go to the legislatures. A lot of bills are in limbo right now because the legislatures are not operating at full capacity, the optimum capacity. The same thing with the federal congress. We're hoping that the lockdown will be lifted in all states by the time next year comes when all of these legislators will be meeting. I'm very concerned about the precedent that was set in Virginia this year, really the birthplace of freedom of religion and of the Bill of Rights. Thomas Jefferson, George Mason, the founders of Virginia basically wrote the Bill of Rights for the U.S. constitution and insisted they be in the U.S. constitution.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

In Virginia last year, what happened was we have a trifecta state dominated by one party now, and they decided that they were going to eliminate the ability of the legislature to decide which vaccines are mandated for the future and codify into Virginia law the existing CDC recommended schedule that will be automatically added to whenever the CDC decides a vaccine should be used by all children. This is very dangerous. Why? Because we go back to Jacobson versus Massachusetts that affirmed the authority of the state legislatures to make vaccine laws, okay, or not make them, right? What Virginia's done is they've handed over that power.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

They've given away that power to the CDC and made the CDC a de facto lawmaking body for the state of Virginia. Now they are going to try to do this in every state, so that basically there will be no more hearings on proposed vaccine additions laws that will require more vaccines. This is extremely dangerous. I urge everyone to sign up for our free [NVIC Advocacy] portal because it's a public service we provide, and we want you to be informed and give talking points that you can use, fact-based talking panel points you can use with your legislators. This issue is going to become more and more important because of what the power grab has occurred in the last few months on this pandemic. Please be prepared. Please stand up for your right to make voluntary vaccine decisions.

Dr. Mercola

Yes, indeed, that's a great recommendation. That Portal is a gem. I would strongly encourage people to do that, and hopefully we'll work together to get your vaccine army to actually engage in the vitamin D strategy that we hope to implement because that's going to help everyone. The other component is there's been this massive, not necessarily shut down of air travel, but almost a shut down and basically my last flight was mid-March when I was coming back from Mexico, first visiting a health hospital down there. Literally, that was the week that they started to shut things down, the next week.

Dr. Mercola

Really that wasn't wise to travel, and now I understand that you can travel, but you're going to be traveling with a mask on the entire time in the plane and they are not serving you food or get this, even water. You're going to fly from Florida to Oregon, there is no way you're going to get a drop of water, unless you brought it on the plane. That makes travel a challenge, to say. I mean that's the first world problem, but still it's like our life has changed forever. Along those lines, I was excited because I was in the process of cutting down my travel anyway. I mean it's radically reduced and I don't know that I'm going to fly anywhere this year.

Dr. Mercola

I'm supposed to be in London in September, but I don't think that's going to work out. I was going to go to your event and I believe it's October, but that pretty much got rescheduled to virtual.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Right. The Fifth International...

Dr. Mercola

Why don't you tell us a little bit about that because I was so excited. The last one was many years ago. It was eight, nine years. No, it was over 10 years ago.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

2009, we did it in the pandemic year. The H1N1 pandemic year, we had the 4th International Public Conference on Vaccines & Vaccination. This year, we're holding it in October 16 through 18, the 5th International Public Conference on Vaccines & Vaccination. The theme is "Protecting Health and Autonomy in the 21st Century." We are bringing together very high-level speakers from around the world from academia, from the activists, the bioethicists, I mean from many different disciplines. We're having a fantastic conference that will be online because we were not able to hold it at a hotel, being so unsure of whether or not anyone could travel, whether there's going to be a second wave of COVID-19, and people just couldn't get there, so we made the decision...

Dr. Mercola

It might be COVID-20 by then.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yeah, indeed, but I'm so excited about it because I think that if the timing is right, I think people want this information, and we're going to put on one heck of a conference. It's going to be professionally produced and we hope to have chat rooms. We hope to have certainly formal presentations, but also some panel discussions, and I look forward to you being a speaker Dr. Mercola.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah, I was looking forward to go there in person because there is a great value to going to events personally interacting with people, and it saddens me deeply to appreciate that has been drastically impacted perhaps permanently, and that we may never be able to have these events again, which isn't... I mean we may never be able to fill sports stadiums again because of this fabricated pandemic.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

They've all become germophobes. We've all been taught to become germophobes including our children. It's very traumatizing what has happened here. We're being taught to stay away from each other. We're being taught to view each other as basically infected and dangerous. We're limiting our social contact. We're social animals, humans, and when you see them lifting restrictions in different states and opening up the beaches and opening up these places, people throng out of their houses. They run out of their houses to try to have social interaction. The approach [to the COVID-19 pandemic] should have been much more balanced than it has been, and I'm not alone in saying that.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

There are many scientists and economists and public health dissidents who are saying this was the wrong approach, this immediate lockdown approach rather than a targeted approach using traditional public health disease control measures. Those have been basically that you identify the sick and you quarantine the sick. Until they're well, you do not quarantine everyone and shut down society. It's a tragedy what has happened.

Dr. Mercola

Yeah, I couldn't agree more. I mean you just don't quarantine everyone. You quarantine the sick. That's what quarantine is, not for the entire public. It's just for those who are known to be sick and that makes perfect sense. Absolutely. You don't want to needlessly spread that and increase the contagious effect, but that doesn't mean everyone because then we both believe in herd immunity. That is the way that your natural immunity is acquired, through connection with others and if you're healthy, which is the key, you're going to develop an immune response that is permanent, that will protect you for the rest of your life and without a vaccine or any side effects.

Dr. Mercola

The key here is you have to be healthy and you can't get that immune reaction unless you're exposed to the infection, and you're certainly not going to be exposed to the infection if you're kept indoors and your health is detracting because you're not getting sunshine.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

That's so true and there are so many mistakes that were made. What about the empty warehouses? Why were the houses the warehouses all empty of gowns and masks and gloves and equipment that could have helped these health care workers right from the beginning? Many mistakes have been made. Mixing the sick and the healthy in nursing homes, those crowded nursing homes. There are some states that did divide them. They've done much better on mortality, states like New York that insisted that everybody be housed together and people discharged from hospitals that were still contagious put back into the healthy population into these nursing homes has been a disaster.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

So many things could have been done differently, but what was the solution? Lock down everybody, shut down businesses, create an unbelievable unemployment problem in this country. Well, as I said, I'm doing a commentary on this, an overview on what's happened and-

Dr. Mercola

Good.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yeah, and I look forward to seeing the reaction to it. I thought a lot about it. I haven't made a big public statement on this. This interview is certainly a beginning, but I have something to say in this commentary.

Dr. Mercola

Okay, we'll look forward to seeing that. Any other words of wisdom before we sign off?

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Oh, I just hope everybody takes a deep breath, goes outside in the sun and breathes in the air, and realizes that well, we will get through this, but I hope that it won't be the new normal. I hope people will start to rationally think and go back to the way we were before because that's America.

Dr. Mercola

All right. Well, great. Well, thanks for taking the time to share your words of wisdom with us and giving some practical components. Again, one of the most important things you can do is sign up for that vaccine [NVIC Advocacy] Portal. It's free. There's not going to be emailing you needlessly. You only get information you need, and that's NVIC.org and is the portal...

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yeah, NVIC.org is our big website and then NVICAdvocacy.org is the Portal where you can sign up and you can get those action alerts.

Dr. Mercola

Is there a link on your homepage, NVIC.org?

Barbara Loe Fisher:

There is, there is.

Dr. Mercola

Either way, it's actually you don't have to type that second word. Just go to NVIC.org and go to the link. Where is the link on that page?

Barbara Loe Fisher:

It's in the top part of the page.

Dr. Mercola

Okay.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

In the state-

Dr. Mercola

It says Portal, State Portal?

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Yes. I can't remember now right this second, but we'll make sure that it does.

Dr. Mercola

Oh, okay. All right, sounds great. All right. Well, thanks Barb.

Barbara Loe Fisher:

Okay, thank you.