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Arizona Chapter of Children's Health Defense Demands ASU Remove "False and Misleading Covid-19 Messaging" from Its Website

*Environmental health group threatens legal action if university fails to correct "alarmist propaganda" on threat COVID-19 poses to college students, calls ASU's misrepresentations about alleged safety of COVID-19 vaccines "dangerous."*

**Tempe, Arizona** – Members of the [Arizona Chapter of Children's Health Defense \(CHD AZ\)](#) have sent a [formal letter](#) to Arizona State University (ASU) administrators demanding they remove inaccurate COVID-19 information from [ASU's Educational Outreach and Student Services \(EOSS\) website](#). The letter was addressed to ASU President Michael Crow, EOSS Medical Director Mario Islas and EOSS Associate Vice President Aaron Krasnow.

"We cannot stand by and watch while universities compromise the health of the next generation," said Ursula Conway, President of CHD AZ.

Referring to ASU's promotion of COVID-19 vaccines to students, Conway remarked, "The evidence of harm is overwhelming. Some countries have already suspended vaccinations for young people due to the unnecessary risks they present to this demographic."

Citing official data and numerous peer-reviewed studies, CHD AZ's demand letter assails ASU's "gross" exaggeration of COVID-19 mortality and its downplaying of well-documented vaccine side effects, some of which, as in the case of myocarditis, have been particularly deadly for young people.

For example, contrary to ASU's representation that one in 50 people die from COVID-19, CHD AZ points out that [the CDC's current "best estimate"](#) for COVID-19-related deaths among persons aged 18-49 is forty times less than that, at one in every 2000 infections. Similarly, the letter refutes ASU's claim that severe side effects from COVID-19 vaccines are "extremely rare," citing

over [1.4 million adverse events](#), including [32,000 deaths](#), reported via the federal government's Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS).

In assessing the extreme nature of ASU's COVID-19 disinformation, CHD AZ questions the research university's motives, noting that it receives millions of dollars annually from organizations like [The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation](#) that profit from the sale of vaccines. "In light of the substantial funding ASU receives from captured federal agencies and the pharmaceutical industry," CHD AZ's letter reads, "one has to ask whether its blatant disregard for the truth is due to an unfathomable incompetence" or "a deliberate attempt" to further its "conflicting pecuniary interests."

EOSS' website states "[t]he university continues to expect the ASU community to stay up to date on COVID-19 vaccines." According to a recent [peer-reviewed study](#) cited in CHD AZ's demand letter, however, available data show COVID-19 "boosters" could cause "18 to 98 serious adverse events" for every COVID-19 hospitalization "prevented" among young adults.

"Given the lack of scientific support for ongoing vaccination of a population not at risk," says Conway, "one has to ask whose interests ASU is serving. It clearly is not serving the interests of its students."

CHD AZ has threatened legal action if ASU fails to correct the inaccuracies about COVID-19 and COVID-19 vaccines on its website, copying Mary Holland, Esq., president and general counsel for the national Children's Health Defense organization, to its demand letter. Holland says CHD AZ's letter "raises rational, fact-based questions and concerns" and that "CHD AZ is entitled to answers and a response based in science, not orthodoxy."

CHD AZ has yet to receive a response from ASU or its affiliates.

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