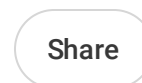
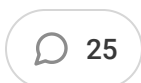
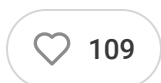


As 'Mask Mandate Season' Approaches, We Learn The CDC Knew Masks Didn't Work And Misrepresented The Evidence Anyway

New revelations show that the CDC knew the truth about masks and didn't care



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The CDC has worked harder and more successfully than almost any other agency in America to discredit itself.

Starting with its atrocious work during the early months of the pandemic, when it helped orchestrate the disastrous and unconstitutional lockdowns which we knew would accomplish absolutely nothing while harming millions.

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Or when it worked with teachers unions to ensure that schools would remain closed, contradicting clear evidence and data from Europe which showed that schools could safely stay open.

The CDC's misinformation on **vaccine efficacy** almost certainly contributed to the rapid proliferation of vaccine mandates and passports. This was institutional, government-

sponsored discrimination promoted and encouraged by what's still laughingly referred to as the nation's leading public health agency.

But all that pales in comparison to the CDC's most inexcusable and purposeful mistake: **masks**.

As many of you already know in February 2020, virtually every available piece of evidence had confirmed that masks were not effective against respiratory viruses. Pre-pandemic planning documents created by the World Health Organization and the CDC itself either outright stated there was no evidence for masking, or completely omitted it as a potential intervention.

If Masks Work, Why Didn't We Plan to Use Them?

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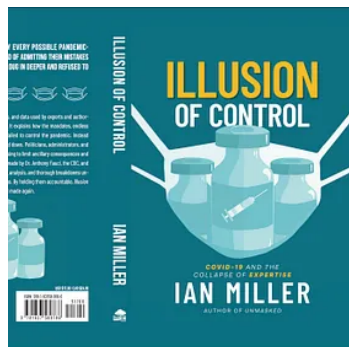
For many in today's world, "believe in science" has become a quasi-religious mantra. Masks are the rosary beads, Fauci is the pope, the CDC is the Church, the World Health Organization is Vatican City, and guidance from both organizations is the Bible. Think I'm exaggerating? Just look at what happened with corporations and Governors after the CDC adjus...

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By April 2020, the CDC, with zero new evidence, dramatically altered course. If that wasn't embarrassing enough, reports later suggested that the agency felt pressured by, wait for it, a New York Times article written by sociologist Zeynep Tufekci.

"Illusion of Control: COVID-19 and the Collapse of Expertise"

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I'm pleased to announce that my second book on the pandemic is available today on Amazon. It's titled, "Illusion of Control: COVID-19 and the Collapse of Expertise," and it examines in detail the mistakes and misinformation from "experts" throughout the pandemic.

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That's correct; the CDC was pressured into changing guidance by an unqualified New York Times writer. Perfection.

To make matters worse, newly released information shows they knew soon afterwards they were wrong. And decided to stay the course anyway.



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CDC Shows Yet Again Why They've Lost The Public's Trust

The Epoch Times reported that **newly released emails** show that the CDC was warned in 2021 that their page advocating for mask usage was deeply, and fatally flawed.

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Michael Osterholm, an epidemiologist at the Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy at the University of Minnesota, along with seven other colleagues emailed the CDC in November 2021 detailing a series of mistakes and unsupported conclusions they made in attempting to promote their agenda. Osterholm and the other experts also highlighted that the agency was ignoring evidence disproving their assertions.

Anyone else wonder why they would do that?

One such claim highlighted in the letter was that "Masking may reduce viral inoculum when transmission occurs, resulting in more mild disease." Osterholm pointed out that the page cited "highly questionable and misleading commentary" to claim that lower viral load, and thus reduced infection, could result from that had already been debunked.

"We believe human epidemiological and animal experimental data have been misinterpreted," they wrote.

But that's just a specific claim, and the authors importantly pointed out that the CDC made inaccurate statements about mask efficacy as a whole.

Leading Public Health Agency Told They Were Wrong, Refused To Acknowledge It

More broadly, Osterholm pointed out that there was no growing body of evidence enhancing claims of mask efficacy over time.

"We also recommend that IDSA reconsider its statements about the efficacy of masks and face coverings for preventing transmission of SARS-CoV-2," the letter reads. "We do not agree that the evidence for their efficacy has strengthened throughout the pandemic, as the website suggests."

They also cited the Cochrane Library review on masks, which has since been updated and confirmed that there's no evidence for their efficacy.

New Gold Standard Evidence Review on Masking to Stop COVID Has Been Released

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Well who could have predicted this. The evidence base on masking has grown substantially over the past few years as global governments have imposed mandates with the full support of the public health “expert” community. Real world data has been accumulated from dozens of countries, U.S. states, counties and other jurisdictions showing that

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Similarly, the CDC was also informed of shortcomings in "studies" used to promote masking. Shortcomings that they purposefully ignored.

"The second of these pieces describes the important elements of a rigorous mask study and critiques several studies as examples of the shortcomings of most such studies to date. One of the critiqued studies is the randomized clinical trial of masks conducted in Bangladesh and released as a preprint by Jason Abaluck; this study is cited by IDSA in support of mask efficacy. This study has many significant shortcomings not described or recognized by the IDSA summary, which were highlighted in the CID RAP commentary. Most important, this study did not consider or measure baseline seropositivity in the study population, but instead concluded that anyone seropositive at the end of the study must have been infected during the study period."

Promoting Flawed Research While Ignoring Quality Results

While promoting deeply flawed studies to promote their agenda, the CDC also downplayed results from high quality research.

"The IDSA 'Masks and Face Coverings for the Public' webpage appears to focus on the strengths of studies that support its conclusions while ignoring their shortcomings of study design; studies that do not support its perspective are similarly downplayed."

Sounds about right.

And the CDC virtually ignored it.

Nothing changed in their recommendations, nothing changed in the winter of 2021-2022 for the CDC to reconsider their guidance or spreading inaccurate, incorrect information. Why? Because they simply didn't want to.

The CDC were determined to promote masks, and so they did. Facts and evidence be damned.

The discrediting of public health at large, and the specific public health agencies has been widely decried by "experts" as a disturbing lack of faith in science. But it's impossible to have faith in a public health organization such as the CDC when they work so hard to erase it themselves.

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I just don't think I can do it again. I am lucky, masks don't make me break out, and I don't have trouble breathing, but I hate them. Mostly I hate when people keep saying things that just are not true. It is false and it is not enough that I know it and you are just wrong...instead you are trying to make me do it as well.

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Unless the CDC is completely stupid, and I don't think that they are, they ALWAYS knew.

Which leads us to the obvious question, "if they knew that masks didn't work, then what was the reason for mandating them?"

... and I think we all know the answer to that question.

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