

I am STRONGLY for this bill to pass. I am a Registered Nurse in the state of Ohio. I worked during the 2020 pandemic during a time in which there was a genuine PPE shortage, the entire country knew NOTHING about this virus. I have since been working with these patients since March of 2020. Fortunately, I have never contracted Covid-19. I believe that mandatory vaccinations are unconstitutional. Mandatory vaccinations forced on us for a vaccine that has not yet reached full clinical trials and has not yet reached FDA approval simply violates individual human rights. I have done extensive research on the viral vector vaccines and the new mRNA technology. The research I have performed reveals that there is no long-term data available that these vaccines are safe, there are no long-term studies to prove that these vaccines will not harm our bodies and our children in the future. This is deeply concerning to me from a medical perspective that the vast majority of the population is ignoring the facts clearly written on the Pfizer, Johnson & Johnson and Moderna websites. The manufacturers' website does not try to hide the fact that there is NO long-term safety data on these vaccines. **This haunts me.** We are the experimental group for this new technology. We are the experimental group for a new vaccine for a virus that has a death rate of 1%. Mandatory vaccinations negate the individual's right to autonomy and the right of informed consent.

Nurses have a code of ethics to follow from the American Nursing Association. This code of ethics serves as a moral and ethical behavioral guide for such a challenging career. The core values include Justice, Beneficence, nonmaleficence,

accountability, fidelity, veracity and **autonomy**. Vaccine mandates directly violate autonomy. In the code of ethics, autonomy is “when the nurse accepts the client as a unique person who has the innate right to have their own opinions, perspectives, values and beliefs. Nurses encourage patients to make their own decision without any judgments or coercion from the nurse. The patient has the right to reject or accept all treatments.” ANA. (2015). *Code of ethics for nurses*. American Nurses Publishing.

Vaccine mandates strip the nurse away from making his or her own autonomous decisions. We, as a population are being coerced into taking vaccine with the threat of losing our jobs! Furthermore, Provision 5 in the ANA’s code of ethics states, “The nurse owes the same duties to SELF as to others-including the responsibility to promote health and safety, preserve wholeness of character and integrity..” (ANA, 2015.)

Mandating a vaccine that does not have adequate safety data is something that feels criminal to my well-being and to my future-and to my patient’s well-being and future!!

Vaccine mandates directly violates provision 5 because it does not promote health, safety and integrity. In fact, it does quite the opposite. I am deeply disturbed by the vaccine mandate, I feel to the core it is one of the biggest crimes against humanity. This mass misinformation is being prompted by politics, societal pressure and monetary gain. This has to STOP NOW. We are genuinely scared for our future.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my perspective. I assure you that I am voicing thousands of similar opinions from other healthcare professionals.

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