

## HB248 STATEMENT

To Whom It May Concern,

I support HB248 Vaccine Choice & Anti-Discrimination Bill. I'm a Cat Scan Technologist for Kettering Health Network in Dayton, OH. I've been in the medical field for 25 years and I love my job, coworkers and patients. KHN has mandated that staff take the Covid-19 vaccine to which I strongly oppose. I'm not anti-vaccine but I am concerned about the unknown risks of this vaccine. Long term testing is not there and it's still only authorized for emergency use. Even if the FDA does give full approval (which could be happening soon), the long-term effects are still unknown.

If this mandate stays in effect, I will be forced to leave a job that I love. My coworkers are also seeking other options. My manager told me that 50% of the network is unvaccinated. We are already severely understaffed and they are offering incentive pay and bonuses to get shifts covered. Let's say that 25% of the unvaccinated get vaccinated. There's still a deficit of 25% across the network in conjunction with the slim staffing we're currently dealing with. Patients will suffer the consequences. I believe the choice for a vaccine should be made by me and not my employer.

Sincerely,

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