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To: [Community Support and Services Committee](#)
Subject: Vaccine Mandates on education staff
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Hi,

I would like to put forward the community wide need to do away with vaccine mandates on education staff.

We should no longer be in a state of emergency. The Covid virus is something we need to deal with on an individual basis just like the flu. Healthy citizens should not be forced to have the vaccine. Vulnerable members of the community should be encouraged to get the vaccine. This position is in line with our prime minister's declaration that Australia does not endorse compulsory vaccinations.

I have lost my job in the child care sector. A sector that is desperately seeking staff. I choose not to be vaccinated because I am a healthy citizen who never gets the flu. I am not at risk of the Covid virus. I personally believe I am more at risk of putting a vaccine in my body that has not provided the compulsory long term safety data. This, in my personal opinion, is more of a risk. And we are each allowed our own personal opinions because our prime minister stated that this is a personal choice and not a compulsory obligation.

I am all for vaccinations. My three children are vaccinated and up to date. I am vaccinated. Vaccinations are extremely important for our community. I am not against vaccinations in general and believe they are vital for the health of our community. But I also believe they need to be rigorously tested with the long term data evidenced. I am not putting something in my body that does not have long term data. I understand that this "new" vaccine is piggy-backing on years of research. But that is still skipping vital steps that in normal times would not be acceptable.

We are now at the end game of this Covid pandemic where each country is learning to live with the virus. These mandates must be lifted. People should be allowed to return to their jobs they have lost. Especially if they can prove, through blood tests, they have already been exposed to the virus. This evidence of antibodies present in the blood, should be equal to that of the vaccination as it has been proven the vaccine only provides limited time protection.

I implore the state government to remove all mandates and to allow our community to move forward from this pandemic.

Kind regards,
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