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BREAKING UPDATE: America Rallies in D.C. to Defeat the Mandates

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Washington, DC; The New American —

Among the concerned Americans attending the “Defeat the Mandates” rally on Sunday were several nurses protesting against “any mandates” at all, and specifically the COVID vax mandates that they said were dangerous.

Speaking to TNA Senior Editor Rebecca Terrell, one of the nurses emphasized the dangerous side effects of the vaccines, which she said were being ignored or marginalized by the mainstream.



“Strokes are not a little side effect,” the nurse said. “Blood clots are not a little side effect.”

The OpenVAERS project, which reports simplified data from the official Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS) notes that as of January 14 there have been 1,053,828 adverse reactions to the COVID vaccines reported to VAERS. Significant COVID vaccine adverse event reports in VAERS for the U.S. and its territories, [according to OpenVAERS](#), include:

- 1,569 miscarriages
- 4,988 heart attacks
- 4,710 myocarditis/pericarditis
- 11,861 permanently disabled
- 1,477 thrombocytopenia/low platelet
- 11,398 life threatening
- 28,682 severe allergic reaction
- 7,177 shingles

The numbers reported by OpenVAERS also indicate that there have been over 10,000 deaths, 49,000 hospitalizations, and over 143,000 visits to doctors’ offices related to the COVID vax. Moreover, these numbers are likely very heavily underreported. The so-called “[Lazarus Report](#)” — referenced by OpenVAERS, studied adverse event reports to VAERS from December 2007 to September 2010 and found that “fewer than 1% of vaccine adverse events are reported.”

Recent scholarship has confirmed massive underreporting in VAERS. Researchers affiliated with Columbia University [reported in October 2021](#) that “VAERS deaths are underreported by a factor of 20, consistent with known VAERS under-ascertainment bias.” Others, including tech innovator and investor Steve Kirsch, have found the VAERS underreporting factor to be considerably higher. [And Kirsch shows his math.](#)

[EARLIER UPDATE] Washington, DC; The New American — Americans from around the country travelled to Washington, D.C. on Sunday, January 23 to demand an end to vaccine and pandemic



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tyranny. Gathered at the “Defeat The Mandates” rally, they peacefully insisted on the restoration of freedom and respect for the basic and natural rights of all citizens.

Rebecca Terrell, Senior Editor for The New American, was on the scene talking to some of the thousands who attended the rally.

[Original report]— Thousands of Americans from across the country gathered in Washington, D.C. on Sunday, January 23, to defeat the mandates demanded by the Biden administration. Organized and supported by groups including Children’s Health Defense, doctors from the Frontline COVID-19 Critical Care Alliance and The Vaccine Safety Research Foundation, the Rally and its speakers and attendees demand an end to the totalitarian “public health” interventions that have trampled on the freedoms guaranteed and protected by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

Defeat the Mandates organizers and participants demand:

- No vaccine mandates
- No vaccine passports
- No forcing Covid-19 vaccinations on children
- No coerced vaccinations without accepting risk
- No censorship
- Yes to informed consent
- Yes to doctors and patients making decisions without interference

Featured speakers at the event include key medical and scientific leaders and experts including mRNA vaccine pioneer Dr. Robert Malone, early treatment expert Dr. Peter McCullough, and Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., leader of the organization Children’s Health Defense and author of the blockbuster best-selling expose, *The Real Anthony Fauci*.

The New American’s team of correspondents, including Contributing Editor Veronika Kyrylenko and Senior Editor Rebecca Terrell, are providing coverage at the event. Please check back throughout the day for video updates.



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