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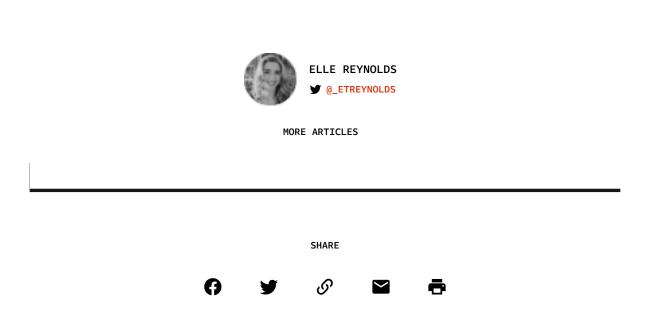
Media, CDC Quietly Admit 3 COVID Truths After 2 Years Of Lies. Did They Think We Wouldn't Notice?

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he COVID bureaucracy has spent two years now preaching lies, censoring anyone who challenges the lies, and eventually coming around to admit the same truths they previously denounced.

In the case of masks and vaccines, the flip-flop was even more elaborate: They insisted masks didn't work (when they were scarce) and that the vaccine was suspicious (under Trump), only to spin around and tout both. And now that neither works effectively against the omicron variant, the narrative is falling apart again.

Over the weekend, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Director Rochelle Walensky appeared on numerous news shows and bluntly admitted some big truths that critics of COVID mania have been saying all along. Another admission of hers from August resurfaced on social media, after months of the media memory-holing it.

It's about time the COVID bureaucrats come clean — and Walensky's comments don't cover the half of it — but we're old enough to remember what the same group of bullies was saying not too long ago.

1. The 'Vaccine' Doesn't Prevent Transmission

"Our vaccines are working exceptionally well ... but what they can't do anymore is prevent transmission," Walensky told CNN's Wolf Blitzer in August, in a clip that made the rounds anew over the weekend.

But that's not the narrative we've been inundated with for the past year. USA

Today ran a "fact-check" with the headline "<u>Vaccines protect against</u> <u>contracting, spreading COVID-19</u>" in November 2021, quoting health "experts" who insisted that getting the jab makes people "much less likely to be infected therefore much less likely to spread the virus."

President Joe Biden went even further, <u>claiming</u> in July, "You're not going to get COVID if you have these vaccinations." In October, he <u>said</u>, "We're making sure health care workers are vaccinated because if you seek care at a health care facility, you should have the certainty that the people providing that care are protected from COVID and cannot spread it to you."

He continued to parrot the claim just last month, implying that vaccinated people couldn't spread COVID when he asked, "How about making sure that you're vaccinated so you do not spread the disease to anybody else?"

2. COVID Disproportionately Affects the Vulnerable

In a "Good Morning America" appearance, Walensky admitted that "the overwhelming number of deaths, over 75 percent, occurred in people who had at least four comorbidities." That's what we've been saying all along: that response efforts should focus on protecting vulnerable populations (i.e., not sending COVID-positive patients into nursing homes) and maintaining normal activities for populations that are at low risk (i.e., not shutting down schools for semesters on end).

But it was Walensky herself who <u>confessed</u> last February that the CDC's guidelines for reopening schools were influenced by the vehemently anti-inperson-learning teachers unions, which Walensky admitted resulted in "direct changes to the guidance." Emails uncovered in September further <u>showed</u> that the CDC had changed its school masking policy under pressure from the National Education Association, the nation's largest teachers union.

And it was the coalition of power-hungry lockdown advocates and fawning media who put disgraced former New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo on a pedestal, despite his decision to force COVID-positive patients into nursing homes, causing thousands of unnecessary deaths among the most vulnerable.

This coalition also worked with the CDC to push months of lockdowns, business closures, mask mandates, travel restrictions, and now vaccine mandates on Americans, despite the fact that the average healthy American is at low risk of dying from COVID.

3. Deaths *from* and *with* COVID Aren't the Same Thing

"How many of the 836,000 deaths in the U.S. linked to COVID are *from* COVID or how many are *with* COVID?" Fox News's Bret Baier asked Walensky on Sunday. "Those data will be forthcoming," Walensky promised, acknowledging the distinction Baier pointed out.

But a bureaucracy that was intent on maximizing COVID panic (and death counts) to undermine Trump and stir the popularity of tyrannical policies wasn't so keen on admitting this distinction in the past.

In Washington state, for example, a May 2020 report <u>found</u> that the state's health department was "overreporting COVID-19 cases by up to 13 percent by counting anyone who 'tests positive for COVID-19 and subsequently dies' as a coronavirus death." A subsequent investigation found that Washington health officials appeared to be doing it again in December of the same year.

In Colorado, gunshot victims were also <u>counted</u> among COVID death tallies if the victims had "tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 30 days." And local authorities in Florida <u>counted</u> a man who died in a motorcycle crash as a COVID victim in July 2020. But that didn't stop <u>media outlets</u> and bureaucrats like <u>Dr. Anthony Fauci</u> from using inflated death tolls to stoke fear and panic as justification for more restrictions and mandates.

What COVID factoid – that anti-lockdowners have been insisting all along – will Walensky and the CDC admit next? Who knows.

But it's safe to say there won't be any apologies or honest acknowledgments of error. There weren't with masks, the ineffectiveness of lockdowns, vaccines, the lab leak theory, or schools, after all. Instead, you can expect them to use half-truths and flat-out lies to try convincing you they've never been wrong — all evidence to the contrary.

This article has been updated to clarify that Walensky's comments about viral transmission were from August.

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