

Mandatory COVID-19 Vaccination Should Be Implemented

I. Introduction

A. Startling statistics on COVID-19 impact

B. **Thesis:** To protect public health, mandatory COVID-19 vaccination policies should be implemented for most citizens.

II. Arguments Against Mandatory Vaccination

A. Bodily autonomy/individual freedom

1. Examples of pushback on mandates
2. Counterarguments on social responsibility

B. Perceived rushed development of vaccines

1. Concerns over adequate testing
2. Analysis of robust clinical trials and safety monitoring

III. Public Health Grounds for Mandates

A. Only way to achieve herd immunity

1. Definition and data on herd immunity thresholds
2. Stalled vaccination rates in many areas

B. Reduce strain on healthcare system

1. Data on hospitalizations from COVID spikes
2. Personal examples of healthcare worker burnout

IV. Examples of Previous Successful Mandates

A. Vaccine requirements for school/college entry

1. Statistics on increased vaccination rates
2. Reduced disease prevalence data

B. Healthcare worker vaccine requirements

1. Examples of major healthcare systems with mandates
2. Justifications regarding patient safety

V. Conclusion

A. Restatement of the central argument

B. Summary of key points

C. Ethical importance of protecting communal health