



Public Comment

Manatee County, FL

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Which meeting is this public comment for? (Please select date of meeting)	September 29, 2020
Topic/Agenda Item	face coverings
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	<p>With the Governor moving the State into Phase 3, I think it is time to take an actual look at removing the mask resolution. There needs to be a choice for the people. Many of those who wear masks will continue to do so whether a resolution is in place or not. For those who have been wearing one while having a medical condition, just to avoid fines or public attack, would be able to confidently take theirs off. This is unfair to continue to force on people. Because even though your resolution makes mention of health conditions, it doesn't change the fact that people will verbally attack someone not wearing one, without knowing or caring why, just because its a "law". Life needs to return to normal. The Governor believes this to be so. The Board needs to see this as well. With less than 300 deaths in the County in 6 months, less than 1% of our total cases in hospitalizations, it is time to re-evaluate the severity of Covid19 and focus your energies elsewhere, instead of trying to control citizens in this way. With things more widely opening up, it may even entice more people to wear a mask, but it should be their choice. When people compare the mask resolution to seatbelt laws or drunk driving laws, I say this. Nobody is jumping into a car at a stop sign screaming at someone for not wearing their seatbelt. Nobody is dragging a person out of their car for not wearing a seatbelt. Masking has gone too far and by continuing the resolution, it continues to show people acting out that they can and should act like that when they see someone without one on. A drunk driver in a residential neighborhood may injure a child. An unmasked person on a treadmill 6 feet away from someone is doing no harm to them. Lets put things in perspective and stop the over reach. We are begging you and will continue each and every week until this is ended.</p>



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Which meeting is this public comment for? (Please select date of meeting)	September 29, 2020
Topic/Agenda Item	Mask Mandates/ Pharmacist
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	<p>Dear Commissioners,</p> <p>I am writing today as a concerned resident of Manatee County and as a Community Pharmacist, I owned 5 pharmacies in NY and Continue to serve the public.</p> <p>I want to discuss the mask mandates and some of the collateral damage from Covid 19, because I see everyday how this virus has evolved, I study the numbers daily and have access to journals and professional publications that keep me apprised.</p> <p>First I will tell you what we are not seeing in Community Pharmacy, No increase in ZPaks, dexamethasone, intranasal steroids, Rx cough meds, Tamiflu and the protocol used in virus and flu treatment. We are not seeing hospitalized patients discharged with the aforementioned meds. Nothing.</p> <p>Let me tell you what we are seeing, more antidepressants, anxiolytics , sedatives, people are full of anxiety and despair, the fear is palpable!</p> <p>Because of forced mask mandates we are seeing an increase in skin infections, fungal and yeast, nasal and sinus infections, topical steroid use for rashes on the face, behind the ears etc. patients are complaining , some are reusing dirty masks. A moist mask is a Petri dish of bacteria and virus.</p> <p>I won't get in to the debate about mask efficacy, because it's become political at this point. Masks are useful in certain settings when donned and doffed correctly, most people are misusing them lending them useless.</p> <p>The Covid numbers have sharply decreased, most viruses burn themselves out. This virus will be with us possibly forever like many other coronavirus. We need to move on, keep clean, hand washing is by far the best thing we can do to stay healthy.</p> <p>It's worth noting that when patients are fearful, they raise their cortisol levels, which causes a myriad of other health issues. We can't live in fear, it's worse than the virus.</p> <p>Please feel free to contact me with any additional questions or concerns.</p> <p>Respectfully, Frank Marracino, Rph Lakewood Ranch, Florida</p>



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Which meeting is this public comment for? (Please select date of meeting)	September 29, 2020
Topic/Agenda Item	Mask Resolution
Comment (max. 3,000 characters)	<p>It is past time to remove this mask resolution. Many of us have sent studies from the past 50+ years that show that masks don't work in containing the spread of viruses. There are many reports of children now getting pleurisy, bacterial lung infections, and staph on their faces because of the masks. Governor DeSantis had an amazing roundtable on the virus and the consensus among the Harvard and Stanford level physicians and economists is that masks are doing nothing to slow the spread. This information has been presented to you multiple times. The graph that you use in every meeting clearly shows the decline was already there before the mask resolution. Churches and some schools have never required them and there has been NO outbreaks or increase in cases. The fear that you continue to try to spread is horrendous. The CDC issued survival rates which shows that only 70+ is truly at risk and even then only around 3%. Instead of trying to mandate a medical device (which the FDA states masks are) to people without a medical license, why not support people in getting their vitamin D level tested? Why not put out a nutrition PSA. Telling people to cover their faces and carry on will not end well. You now have convinced many thousands of people that a mask is their savior. It will not save them. In fact, it could be making their immune system weaker and when they finally take it off, it could be detrimental to their health. The hospital numbers speak for themselves. 21 people in the hospital for COVID. 21. And yet you have 411k people acting like they are scared to live in public. Shame on you for keeping this nonsense going so long. We will be asking the governor to eliminate more than just the fines in the local mandates. Your opinion, your personal stories, and your continued pretending to not know any opposing viewpoints are no longer valid. Experts have spoken. Continuing this farce will only bring more liability. You can no longer pretend that you know best.</p>