50 Healthcare Workers Were Fired For Refusing the Flu Shot

Late last month a Minnesota-based health system fired about 50 employees for refusal to get the flu shot. Essentia Health announced in September that employees would be required to get vaccinated for influenza unless a religious or medical exemption is obtained. The company said it was trying to keep their patients from getting sick at its 15 hospitals and 75 clinics.

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Essentia reported that 99% of the company's eligible employees received the shot, or received an exemption. The United Steelworkers union filed an injunction in an attempt to delay the policy, but a federal judge has denied the request. Minnesota Public Radio has reported that two other unions are filing grievances on behalf of workers who lost their jobs.

> *Mandatory influenza vaccinations for health care workers — who really benefits from this draconian measure? While public health officials tell you that mandatory flu shots for all health care workers will protect patients from influenza, there's virtually no good scientific evidence to support such claims. If health and safety were really the chief aim of this forced vaccination policy, why not mandate vitamin D testing and optimization, since vitamin D supplementation has been shown to be 10 times more effective than getting a flu shot if you are vitamin D deficient? Even if you're not deficient in vitamin D, studies evaluating the "number needed to treat" (NNT) reveal it is estimated that one person would be spared from getting sick with influenza for every 33*

people taking a vitamin D supplement (NNT = 33), whereas 40 people would have to receive the flu vaccine in order to prevent a single case of the flu (NNT = 40). But, what would the financial incentive be for that? Unfortunately, it appears mandating annual flu shots for health care workers is little more than a for-profit scheme transformed into oppressive health policy and law by drug industry insiders and powerful lobbyists." – Mercola, Vaccine Deficient Employees Fired to Gain Health Care Funding

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