Defining Scientific Agreement Pamela A. Popper, President Wellness Forum Health

It is said that "100% of scientists agree - when you silence all of those who do not." In other words, censorship is an effective strategy for reaching "scientific agreement."

Censorship has become an acceptable way to promote "scientific consensus" concerning COVID-19. The AMA, licensure boards, and medical associations are active participants.

The Predatory American Medical Association

Since its inception, the American Medical Association has endeavored to monopolize medicine. The U.S. is the only country in the world in which what we call conventional medicine has crowded out everything except itself. Alternative practitioners are often marginalized, investigated, and often convicted of misdemeanor and felony crimes. At one time when Morris Fishbein was head of the AMA, hundreds of thousands of practitioners had been categorized as "quacks." The AMA pursued them relentlessly. And many years ago, a chiropractic organization sued the AMA and proved that the group had orchestrated a comprehensive plan to discredit chiropractors that included hiring PR agencies to make up stories about harms from chiropractic care.

Not much has changed. At a November 2021 meeting, AMA delegates lamented that in some states, naturopaths, homeopaths, and other alternative practitioners are permitted to write medical exemptions for vaccines. They think that this practice should end as soon as possible.³ A resolution was proposed that would allow the AMA to fight state laws that give "non-sufficient providers, including alternative practitioners," the ability to provide exemptions.

At least the group was honest about its intentions. Ray Callas MD, from the Texas Medical Association, said that he thought that allowing alternative practitioners to issue exemptions was a "scope of practice creep" that allows others to infringe on the turf of medical doctors. He said that failing to close such a loophole could be dangerous, allowing people to practice medicine "without going to medical school" — meaning not AMA-sanctioned medical schools of course. Christopher Gribbin MD added that "This is a scope of practice issue. There are lots of mid- and lower-level providers who want to do our jobs for us. And this is certainly one way for them to get into the business, and something we need to oppose."

It's hard to ignore the derogatory language; naturopaths and alternative practitioners are considered "non-sufficient providers" and "lower-level providers." And according to an Indiana delegate, the real problem is that these inferior practitioners are "...just misinforming patients. The importance of vaccination against COVID-19 has been

overwhelmingly demonstrated." And, of course, at least according to this group, anyone who disagrees must be silenced.

Medical doctors with a contrary view about COVID-19 practices are not treated any better. Medical doctor Ryan Cole in Idaho has been an outspoken critic of the COVID nonsense, including the withholding of effective early treatment therapeutics, and especially about the vaccines. He's been publicly criticized, censored, and may even end up losing his medical license.

The Idaho Medical Association has asked the Idaho state medical board to investigate Cole. First, the fact that the Association is making the request is significant. The IMA is supposed to represent doctors. But like other associations and unions, it has turned on the people it claims to represent and decided to promote government-sponsored COVID propaganda.

What has perturbed the docs in charge of the IMA? Cole's prescribing of Ivermectin for early treatment of COVID-19 patients. The organization's letter to the medical board was written by the IMA CEO and the president of the board and reads:

"While he has criticized those who advocate vaccination against COVID-19 for violating their ethical obligation to 'first do no harm,' in fact he likely has violated that very ethical admonition by advising against vaccination and promoting the use of ivermectin instead. We believe his practice, as he has described it himself, is not in keeping with the Idaho community standard of care and does more harm than good."

The letter also states that Cole has violated state code by providing healthcare that does not meet the standard of care; has promoted the sale of drugs that are not medically indicated, and has been "engaging in ... conduct that constitutes an abuse or exploitation of a patients arising out of the trust and confidence placed in the physician by the patient."

Cole has invited members of the association to discuss their concerns with him, stating that filing a complaint and threatening his license is unprofessional, and "sows distrust within the medical community and with patients in our state." He also stated that he is working with other doctors in the U.S. who have been wrongfully attacked and pledged to "...fight back against these unfounded complaints and actions."

A doctor in Oregon lost his medical license for telling patients that masks are ineffective for preventing the spread of COVID-19 and that masks were a health hazard. Steven LaTulippe also failed to adhere to COVID rituals in his office, such as taking the temperature of patients when they arrived at his clinic, and asking if they had had close contact with anyone who had COVID symptoms or who had tested positive. He and his wife did not wear masks in the office, and did not require patients to wear them either.

In addition to the license suspension, LaTulippe was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$10,000 for 8 instances of unprofessional or dishonorable conduct, 22 instance of negligence in the practice of medicine, and 5 instances of gross negligence.⁵

Many other doctors in other states are being similarly disciplined and/or delicensed for speaking out and disobeying orders from the government, and this will most likely continue for a long time. The Federation of State Medical Boards, the nonprofit that oversees state medical boards, has instructed the boards to investigate, discipline and potentially take licenses away from any doctor who says anything negative about COVID-19 vaccines.⁶ Covid censorship is supported by the America Osteopathic Association,⁷ The American Board of Family Medicine, The American Board of Internal Medicine, and the American Board of Pediatrics.⁸

This should concern all of us – a lot. Health professionals are now being told what they are allowed and not allowed to say and do in their practices. At this time the censorship seems to be focused only on COVID-19 but there is no reason to believe that it will not spread to other practices as well. Patients can no longer trust their doctors – or any other health professionals. They are all being warned - they will be puppets for the state or they won't be in practice.

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