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<Paul.Richards@fda.hhs.gov> Subject: Neurological reactions to the Covid vaccines

Hello,

My name is Danice Hertz MD and many of you know me or have heard from me before. Briefly, I am at 64-year-old gastroenterologist who developed a severe reaction to the Pfizer Covid vaccine 30 minutes after receiving it and have been very ill for the past three months with severe paresthesias. In my search for information. I wrote several comments after articles I read in journals stating that there were no neurological adverse reactions to the vaccines. I have been contacted by many people from around the world now who have had very similar reactions to mine. Unfortunately, we are unable to find medical care as the medical community knows nothing about these reactions. This group of people is getting too large for me to handle and correspond with. I wonder if any of you have any recommendations as to where I should go from here. We have all reported our reactions many times to VAERS and the appropriate agencies with no response. At this point, I appear to be the only resource in the world for people suffering like I have been. Maybe it is time for these reactions to be taken seriously and addressed appropriately. I would really appreciate some input and guidance from those of you who should be getting involved with this problem. It is really not a problem that I should be dealing with alone if at all.

Thank you,

Danice Hertz MD





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Dear Danice,

We started this effort and trying our best to gather information from patients with vaccine side effects to thoughtfully organize the information and report them.

If you look at VARES database there are more than 1000 neurological side effects already reported but in order to present it to scientific community we have to gather as much information as we can before sending it out.

I promise you we will report your issue and other cases that we are reviewing now and I really appreciate if you kindly give us 1-2 weeks to collect comprehensive information before publicizing it.

I would be happy to answer any question definietely will keep you in the loop when our report is ready. Thank you for your patience.

Warm Regards, Farinaz