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Sent: Sunday, February 21, 2021 1:03 PM

To: Kari Christine Nadeau <[REDACTED]>; Maria Castells Md <[REDACTED]>; Alkis Togias <togiasa@niaid.nih.gov>; fgx5@cdc.gov; aux7@cdc.gov; Peter.Marks@fda.hhs.gov

Subject: Adverse neurological reactions to Covid mRNA vaccines

Hi doctors,

As most of you know me, I am a 64 year old gastroenterologist who suffered a terrible reaction 30 minutes after receiving the first dose of the Pfizer Covid vaccine. I am still very symptomatic almost 9 weeks out with severe paresthesias, chest tightness, tremor, dizziness, headaches. I am on the internet seeking information and came across an article in a journal Neurology Today. I wrote a comment after the article about my reaction. I have subsequently been contacted by five other women who have had very similar neurological reactions to mine and are all quite ill weeks after receiving their vaccines. They have had similar difficulty in getting appropriate medical care as the medical community knows nothing about these reactions. They too have reported their reactions to the drug companies, the regulatory governmental agencies, and there has been no response or documentation of their reactions.

It is apparent that these neurological reactions are not unheard of. Why are they not being addressed? Why are our reports being

ignored? We do not have any desire to frighten the public about the vaccine, but we all very much would like to get medical care and fear that we will not recover from these debilitating symptoms. We were all previously healthy. We are considering going to the media as we are terribly frustrated at the lack of transparency. Any advice from you would be greatly appreciated. Also, please pass this information on to the appropriate people. If they would like to contact me, my cell is [REDACTED].

Sincerely,
Danice Hertz M.D.

Sent from my iPhone

2-21-21 email from Peter Marks in response to my email.
RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Adverse neurological reactions to Covid mRNA vaccines

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<[REDACTED]>, "Togias, Alkis (NIH)"
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Dear Dr. Hertz,

So sorry to hear of your symptoms. We take all adverse event reports seriously. I have asked our pharmacovigilance team to follow up with you.

We certainly hope that you feel better soon.

Thanks to our NIH colleagues for forwarding your message.

Best Regards, Peter

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2-21-21 Dr Nadeau responded to my email
On Feb 21, 2021, at 2:23 PM, Kari Christine Nadeau
<[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi

Thanks and I will contact Dr. Castells. I do believe people are moving as fast as they can to do research on this, including all our institutions. We are all taking these symptoms and other symptoms very seriously. I hope you feel better soon.

All the best

kari

Hi

Thanks and I forwarded your e mail to my colleagues at the FDA. I know that the NIH is interested in this and I have heard of a grant announcement to follow long term issues. I hope you feel better and that the blood tests and research results I shared with you so far have been helpful. I am happy to speak with your rheumatologist on the phone anytime to share what we found in your blood.

All the best

Kari

2-23-23 another email to Peter Marks MD after not hearing from his assistant as promised.

2-23-21

Re: Adverse neurological reactions to Covid mRNA vaccines

To: Peter.Marks@fda.hhs.gov Cc: Maria Castells Md

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<togiasa@niaid.nih.gov>, tqx5@cdc.gov, aux7@cdc.gov, Kari
Nadeau [REDACTED]>

Hi Dr Marks,

I have been told multiple times that someone will contact me from the FDA, CDC and Pfizer, but I have never been contacted. I hope your colleague will actually contact me. Multiple people have reached out to me now from as far away as France who have also suffered severe neurological reactions to the vaccine. The common thread is paresthesias and an internal tremor/vibration. Many have motor weakness as well. Like me, these people have been unable to find medical care as doctors in the community and universities have not heard about these reactions. Most of these patients are being referred to psychiatrists.

On top of being severely injured from the vaccines, it is a disgrace that our illnesses are not being validated and we cannot find doctors to help us, as the medical community has been kept in the dark. It is time that these reactions be made public and the medical community be educated. When will this happen?

I research the internet daily and all that I come up with is that there are no significant serious reactions to the vaccines and that any such reports cannot be clearly linked to the vaccines. This is absolutely not true!

How unfair this is to patients like me and the many others out there suffering.

Sincerely,
Danice Hertz MD [REDACTED]

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