

# U.S. Health Agencies Ordered to Freeze All Communications



Part of the sweep of government in the first days of the Trump administration has been a freeze on communications. The explosion has hit the whole of public health bureaucracies, which Trump personally blames in part for the meltdown of his previous term of president in his last year. The pause in operations is designed to figure out exactly what is going on.

It is certainly not the case that Donald Trump wants you to die, contrary to Paul Krugman's [claim](#). No longer writing at the *New York Times*, he reserved his rather extreme view for his Substack account.

Recall that Krugman was 100 percent for lockdowns and all the rest, including the fake science behind vaccine mandates. While most of the world was in cages, he was proclaiming the dawn of the great reset. With that reversed, he has reverted to form.

# Donald Trump Wants You to Die

The attack on public health begins



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What actually seems to be dying the death is the public health bureaucracy.

As the Wall Street Journal explained in their story headlined [“Swaths of U.S. Government Grind to a Halt After Trump Shock Therapy:”](#) “While glitches aren’t uncommon during the early days of presidential transitions, some longtime federal employees said the chaos seemed more extreme this week due in part to wide-spanning differences between the agendas of the previous administration and the new one. The stalled initiatives extended far beyond Trump’s cancellation of federal DEI programs.”

I seriously doubt that public opinion registers much concern.

Let’s take a look at the actions of these agencies in the pre-inauguration days before the freeze.

The Department of Health and Human Services announced on January 17, three days before the inauguration, a jaw-dropping \$590 million grant to Moderna, a driving force behind global vaccination with mRNA shots during Covid. The announcement of this grant changed the fortunes of the company’s stock price, which had been in a two-year slide.

# HHS Provides \$590 Million to Accelerate Pandemic Influenza mRNA-based Vaccine Development, Enhance Platform Capability for Other Emerging Infectious Disease

*Award bolsters pandemic preparedness by leveraging flexible platforms*

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) will provide approximately \$590 million to Moderna to accelerate the development of mRNA-based pandemic influenza vaccines and enhance mRNA platform capabilities so that the U.S. is better prepared to respond to other emerging infectious diseases.

The award was made through the Rapid Response Partnership Vehicle (RRPV) Consortium with funding from the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA), part of the HHS Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR).

This funding allows Moderna to accelerate development of an H5N1 mRNA influenza vaccine that is well matched to strains currently circulating in cows and birds and expands the clinical data supporting the use of mRNA vaccines that may be needed if other influenza strains emerge with pandemic potential.

The timing alone cries out for explanation. Was this to dump largess on the deep-state partner before Trump could stop it? Or was it tacitly approved by the incoming administration in order to keep Trump's fingerprints from it? We'll know based on whether this goes ahead. It will certainly be a test of the agency's future under the leadership of Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., provided he is confirmed by the Senate.

For now, it has all the earmarks of an old regime grabbing whatever it can on the way out.

Over at the CDC, which exists as part of a suite of agencies under the control of HHS, we have [one last communication](#) dating also from January 17. It was to announce the "first-ever [National One Health Framework to Address Zoonotic Diseases and Advance Public Health Preparedness in the United States.](#)"

David Bell at Brownstone has been writing about this for longer than a year. As he [describes](#) it:

*"Those pushing it envision a world in which any lifeform is considered intrinsically equal worth to others. If you must*

*choose between your [daughter and a rat](#), the choice should weigh the probability of survival of each, or may do the least harm to other lifeforms after being saved. Within this 'equitable' worldview, humans become a pollutant. Ever-growing human populations have driven other species to extinction through environmental change, from the megafauna of ancient Australasia to the plummeting insect populations of modern Europe. Humans become a plague upon the earth, and their restriction, impoverishment, and death may therefore be justified for a greater good."*

The connection here to Fauci et al, and their view concerning spillover diseases from animals to humans – a major reason why they were so insistent on the zoonotic origins of Covid – is rather obvious.

In the middle of the worst part of US lockdowns, Fauci and his co-author David Morens wrote an [article for Cell](#) in which they explain that the real problem with life on earth began 12,000 years ago when "human hunter-gatherers settled into villages to domesticate animals and cultivate crops. These beginnings of domestication were the earliest steps in man's systematic, widespread manipulation of nature."

It's always with the same theme. If there were fewer of us, had we never had much contact with each other, if we never dared to cultivate crops, domestic animals, store water, and move around, we could have been spared all diseases.

The real problem is what we call civilization itself, which is why the article ends with an assault on "overcrowding in dwellings and places of human congregation (sports venues, bars, restaurants, beaches, airports), as well as human geographic movement," all of which "catalyzes disease spread."

The only solution, in this view, is "rebuilding the infrastructures of human existence, from cities to homes to

workplaces, to water and sewer systems, to recreational and gatherings venues.”

One Health, as newly embraced by the CDC, amounts to a radical transformation of the basis of social order itself, under the guidance of god-like scientists who alone know how to structure the best life for all living things, even if that comes at the expense of human flourishing.

David Bell describes this creepy strain of belief as a “cult” but it might also be described as an ideology very different from the dominant ones in the 20th century. Socialism might have proven unworkable but at least it aspired to the improvement of human life. Capitalist ideology was the same. This is something different, with more in common with the far-flung imaginings of Rousseau or the Prophet Mani who shared in common the belief that all attempts to create what we call civilization are inherently corrupting of our perfect state of nature.

This was part of the underlying philosophical infrastructure of lockdowns and vaccine mandates, not merely a public health establishment doing crazy things that happened to be captured by high-powered industrial interests. There was a dreamy and ultimately ghastly utopianism backing all of these actions, stemming from hot-house salons of government-funded science cabals where they not only refuse to speak to normal people; they have nothing but disdain for the aspirations of the common folk and their attachments to property, family, and tradition (which includes, for example, home remedies on dealing with infectious disease).

How it came to be that our main engines of public health came to be captured in whole by such a crazed ideology would require a deep and expansive investigation. Certainly, it happened gradually and largely out of the public eye, so much so that even our best investigative writers are still trying to wrap their brains around it all. Whatever this ideology is,

it captured nearly the entire planet Earth in the years 2020-2023 or thereabouts and resulted in a health crisis without precedent in modern times.

Part of the result of that grand experiment was the unseating of a variety of populist leaders in the US, UK, and Brazil. This seems to have set in motion what Walter Kirn has called “a coup against a coup,” as the astonishing avalanche of executive orders reveals. The flurry of news – including a full reaffirmation of free speech, a purge of all DEI edicts, a deletion of previous dictates on Central Bank Digital Currencies, and a full hiring freeze in the federal government – has been so massive that the pundit class has been left gasping to stay on top of it all.

As for NIH, Jay Bhattacharya has been tagged to head the agency. As he awaits Senate confirmation, the acting head is Dr. Matthew Memoli, an award-winning vaccinologist who has worked at NIH for 16 years. In defiance of the regime, he argued in 2021 that “with existing vaccines, blanket vaccination of people at low risk of severe illness could hamper the development of more-robust immunity gained across a population from infection.”

Our own Fellow Bret Swanson took note of this one dissident within the Fauci ranks and celebrated his resolve to speak truth to power, in a [complete takedown](#) of evil four years ago. The doctor came under fire for daring to disagree.

Now Dr. Memoli heads the agency he defied. He remains in that position until the man once called a “fringe epidemiologist” by the previous head of NIH takes full control. This is as close to revolution and counterrevolution as you will find in a democratic society.

Something big and potentially wonderful is happening in the realm of public health, which was deployed for egregious purposes only a few years ago. It is a turning point of some

sort, and one can hope that the results are consistent with the health, well-being, and freedom of everyone.

For now, there doesn't seem to be too much in the way of public panic about the big freeze at HHS-related agencies, much less the removal of Anthony Fauci's expensive security detail.

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