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Conscience & Religious Exemption



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Recommendations on Conscience and Religious Exemption

The National Association of Catholic Nurses, U.S.A. (NACN-USA) Taskforce met to assist Catholic nurses in formulating their conscience and religious exemption application against the COVID-19 vaccine mandate.

Our taskforce developed the following to assist nurses in their thought processes and examination of their personal conscience and religious beliefs:

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Disclaimer: The NACN-USA does not assure the acceptance of your exemption letter by your employer. The following information is solely offered to assist you in identifying specific documents to support your exemption statements.

Introduction.

MAGISTERIUM TEACHINGS: The following are **quotes** obtained from: (1) Vatican documents (Magisterium teachings on faith & morals of the Catholic Church and (2) the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The quotes help support your personal conscience and religious beliefs pertaining to the dignity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death. All are encouraged to review the original documents at the links provided.

Individual exemption statements regarding conscience, should come from a “well-informed and developed moral conscience.” The Magisterial teachings of the Catholic Church are provided to assist in forming your conscience.

We pray and ask the Holy Spirit to continue to inform and develop our moral conscience, to do God’s Will and protect His most precious creation, Human Life.

Support for one’s conscience and religious beliefs

Magisterial Teaching on Dignity of Life / Fetal Cells / Right to Life

Source: Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (CDF). (1987). *Instruction on respect for human life in its origin and on the dignity of procreation replies to certain questions of the day.*

https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc_con_cfaith_doc_19870222_respect-for-human-life_en.html

CORE BELIEF	CATHOLIC MAGISTERIUM	REFERENCES
The sacredness/dignity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death:	1) “ From the moment of conception, the life of every human being is to be respected in an absolute way because man is the only creature on earth that God has ‘wished for himself.’”.[Intro.5.(16)]	1) Intro. Sec. 5. Teachings of the Magisterium, (16)
	2) “God alone is the Lord of life from its beginning until its end: no one can, in any circumstance, claim for himself the right to destroy directly an innocent human being.” [Intro.5.(20)]	2) Intro. Sec 5. Teachings of the Magisterium, (20)
The use of aborted human cells/ tissues and sacredness of human life	1) “Life once conceived, must be protected with the utmost care, abortion and infanticide are abominable crimes.” [I.(23)]	1) I. Respect for Human Embryos, Sec 1 (23)
	2) “From the time that the ovum is fertilized, a new life is begun which is neither that of the father nor of the mother; it is rather the life of a new human being with his own growth. It would never be made human if it were not human already.” [I.(25)]	2) I. Respect for Human Embryos, Sec 1 (25)
	3) “...human generation, from the first moment of its existence, that is to say from the moment the zygote has formed, demands the unconditional respect that is morally due to the human being...The human being is to be respected and treated as a person ...his rights as a person must be recognized, among which in the first place is the inviolable right of every innocent human being to life.” [I.1.(26 & 27)]	3) I. Respect for Human Embryos, Sec 1 paragraph between (26 & 27)

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Magisterial Teaching on Dignity of Life / Fetal Cells / Right to Life (cont'd)

Source: Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (CDF). (1987). *Instruction on respect for human life in its origin and on the dignity of procreation replies to certain questions of the day.*

https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc_con_cfaith_doc_19870222_respect-for-human-life_en.html

CORE BELIEF	CATHOLIC MAGISTERIUM	REFERENCES
The use of human life (embryos) for research; development of medication; etc.,	1) "...if the embryos are living, whether viable or not, they must be respected just like any other human person; experimentation on embryos which is not directly therapeutic is illicit." [I.4.(29)]	1) I. Respect for Human Embryos; Sec. 4. How is one to evaluate morally research and experimentation on human embryos and fetuses? (29)
	2) "No objective, even though noble in itself, such as a foreseeable advantage to science, to other human beings or to society, can in any way justify experimentation on living human embryos or fetuses, whether viable or not, either inside or outside the mother's womb. The informed consent ordinarily require for clinical experimentation on adults cannot be granted by the parents, who may not freely dispose of the physical integrity or life of the unborn child." [I.4.(30)]	2) I. Respect for Human Embryos; Sec. 4. (30)
	3) "To use human embryos or fetuses as the object or instrument of experimentation constitutes a crime against their dignity as human beings having a right to the same respect that is due to the child already born and to every human person." [I.4.(30)]	3) I. Respect for Human Embryos; Sec. 4. (30)
The use of human life (fetus) for research; development of medication; etc., whether the human life (fetus) was deliberately aborted or not. (cont'd)	4) " <i>It is a duty to condemn the particular gravity of the voluntary destruction of human embryos obtained 'in vitro' for the sole purpose of research...</i> " [I.5.]	4) I. Respect for Human Embryos; Sec. 5. How is one to evaluate morally the use for research purposes of embryos obtained by fertilization 'in vitro'?
	5) "...every human being is to be respected for himself, and cannot be reduced in worth to a pure and simple instrument for the advantage of others. <i>It is therefore not in conformity with the moral law deliberately to expose to death human embryos obtained 'in vitro'.</i> [I.5.]	5) I. Respect for Human Embryos; Sec. 5. How is one to evaluate morally the use for research purposes of embryos obtained by fertilization 'in vitro'?

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Magisterial Teaching on Vaccines derived from Aborted Human Foetuses

Source:

https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc_con_cfaith_doc_20081208_dignitas-personae_en.html Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. (2008). *Instruction Dignitas Personae On Certain Bioethical Questions*.

Source: <https://www.immunize.org/talking-about-vaccines/vaticandocument.htm> Pontifical Academy for Life. (2005). *Moral Reflections on Vaccines Prepared from Cells Derived from Aborted Human Fetuses*.

CORE BELIEF	CATHOLIC MAGISTERIUM	REFERENCES
Moral duty to object unscrupulous and unethical practices by pharmaceutical industries (e.g. use of vaccines produced from cell lines of aborted human fetuses)	<p>1) ...everyone has the duty to make known their disagreement and to ask that their healthcare system make other types of vaccines available. [3rd Part, 35.(58)]</p> <p>2) ...there remains a moral duty to continue to fight and to employ every lawful means in order to make life difficult for the pharmaceutical industries which act unscrupulously and unethically. ...there is a grave responsibility to use alternative vaccines and to make a conscientious objection with regard to those [vaccines] which have moral problems.</p>	<p>1) <i>Dignitas Personae</i>. Third Part: New Treatments which Involve the Manipulation of the Embryo or the Human Genetic Patrimony. The use of human “biological material” of illicit origin 35.(58)</p> <p>2) <i>Moral Reflections on Vaccines prepared from Cells Derived from Aborted Human Fetuses</i>, Pontifical Academy for Life</p> <p>Abortion Tainted Vaccine List: https://cogforlife.org/wp-content/uploads/Abortion-Tainted-Vaccines.pdf</p>

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Magisterial Teaching on Mandating Vaccinations

Source: Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. (2020). *Note on the morality of using some anti-COVID-19 vaccines*. Vatican City State: Vatican Publishing.

https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc_con_cfaith_doc_20201221_nota-vaccini-anticovid_en.html

CORE BELIEF	CATHOLIC MAGISTERIUM	REFERENCES
Vaccines must be voluntary	<p>1) ...practical reason makes evident that vaccination is not, as a rule, a moral obligation and that, therefore, it must be voluntary.</p> <p>2) Those who, however, for reasons of conscience, refuse vaccines produced with cell lines from aborted fetuses, must do their utmost to avoid, by other prophylactic means and appropriate behavior, becoming vehicles for the transmission of the infectious agent. In particular, they must avoid any risk to the health of those who cannot be vaccinated for medical or other reasons, and who are the most vulnerable.</p>	<p>1) Paragraph 5</p> <p>2) Paragraph 5</p>

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Magisterial Teaching on the Moral Conscience of Human Beings

Source: Catechism of the Catholic Church (1995).
<https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/INDEX.HTM>

CORE BELIEF	CATHOLIC MAGISTERIUM	REFERENCES
Man has a right and responsibility to follow his/her conscience and (s)he may not do evil so that good may come from it.	1) "Man has the right to act in conscience and in freedom so as personally to make moral decisions. 'He must not be forced to act contrary to his conscience. Nor must he be prevented from acting according to his conscience...' (1782).	1) Article 6. Moral Conscience, 1782 (CCC 1782)
	2) "One may never do evil so that good may result from it;" (1789).	2) CCC 1789
	3) "A human being must always obey the certain judgment of his conscience. If he were deliberately to act against it, he would condemn himself." (1790).	3) CCC 1790
"A human being must always obey the certain judgment of his conscience. If he were deliberately to act against it, he would condemn himself." (1790)	1) If one's conscience is negatively affected by the knowledge that a vaccine, contain human cells/tissues or cells obtained from aborted fetal cells, then one cannot accept the "vaccine" (e.g. MMR-II).	1) CCC 1789 & 1790

Source: MMR-II contains WI-38 human diploid lung fibroblasts obtained from an aborted child; pkg insert 12/2020 (CDC <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/downloads/appendices/B/excipient-table-2.pdf>).

The following information are points you may want to consider when seeking exemption based on “your” conscience and/or religious beliefs. We urge you to always pray first to the Holy Spirit for the Gifts of Wisdom and Discernment **when seeking an exemption based on your beliefs and/or when writing your “notice of appeal” in response to an employer’s denial for exemption.**

Support for one’s conscience and religious beliefs
Additional Points to Consider for Exemption Letters on
“Right of Conscience” and Free & Informed Consent

Source(s): Catechism of the Catholic Church (1995): “A human being must always obey the certain judgment of his conscience. If he were deliberately to act against it, he would condemn himself.” (1790). https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_INDEX.HTM and various additional references sited.

POINTS TO CONSIDER	...ON RIGHT OF CONSCIENCE AND FREE & INFORMED CONSENT	REFERENCES
<p>Informed Consent, FREE and INFORMED</p> <p>“A human being must always obey the certain judgment of his conscience. If he were deliberately to act against it, he would condemn himself.” (CCC1790)</p>	<p>“Free and informed consent requires that the person...receive all reasonable information about the essential nature of the proposed treatment and its benefits; its risks, side effects, consequences, and any reasonable and morally legitimate alternatives, including no treatment at all.” ERD27</p> <p>1) Have you received all the necessary information to make a reasonable autonomous and informed decision? 2) Is your decision free of coercion – free of fear of loss of job?</p> <p>Alternatives to the “vaccine”</p> <p>3) Have you been offered alternatives towards accepting the “vaccine”?</p>	<p>1-6) United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services, 6th ed. (#27). https://www.usccb.org/about/doctrine/ethical-and-religious-directives/upload/ethical-religious-directives-catholic-health-service-sixth-edition-2016-06.pdf</p> <p>3) Treatments: https://stateofthenation.co/?p=51722 (only one of many examples --- See list below)</p>

Early Outpatient Treatment and Prophylaxis Protocols:

- 1) COVID-19 Prophylaxis and Treatment Protocols, Dr. Zelenko. <https://vladimirzelenkomd.com/prophylaxis-protocol/>
- 2) Front Line COVID-19 Critical Care Alliance, Prevention & Treatment Protocols for COVID-19. <https://covid19criticalcare.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/FLCCC-Protocols-%E2%80%93-A-Guide-to-the-Management-of-COVID-19.pdf>
- 3) A Guide to Home-Based COVID Treatment: Step-by-Step Doctors’ Plan that Could Save Your Life, An educational resource from The Association of American Physicians and Surgeons (founded in 1943) www.AAPSONline.org
- 3) Multifaceted highly targeted sequential multidrug treatment of early ambulatory high risk SARS-CoV-2 infection (COVID-19). <https://rcm.imrpress.com/article/2020/2153-8174/RCM2020264.shtml>

Disclaimer: NACN-USA is not endorsing a specific treatment but merely listing several of those discovered and available.

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Additional Points to Consider for Exemption Letters on
“Right of Conscience” and “Free & Informed Consent”

Source(s): Catechism of the Catholic Church (1995): “A human being must always obey the certain judgment of his conscience. If he were deliberately to act against it, he would condemn himself.” (1790). <https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/INDEX.HTM> and various additional references sited.

POINTS TO CONSIDER	...ON RIGHT OF CONSCIENCE AND FREE & INFORMED CONSENT	REFERENCES
<p>Informed Consent, FREE and INFORMED (cont'd)</p> <p>“A human being must always obey the certain judgment of his conscience. If he were deliberately to act against it, he would condemn himself.” (CCC1790)</p>	<p>Possible long-term effects</p> <p>4) Do you have full knowledge of the possible long-term effects of the “vaccine”?</p> <p>a) Normally it takes about 10 years for a drug to be developed and approved for prescription. (US DVA)</p> <p>b) Some medications which were initially FDA approved were later found to cause major adverse effects and were taken “off the market.”</p> <p>c) Lack of information demonstrating the long-term effects of this “vaccine” can interfere with your ability to make an informed consent.</p> <p>Confusing and contrasting data regarding safety of COVID-19 “vaccines.”?</p> <p>5) Are you finding confusing data regarding the safety of the COVID-19 “vaccine”?</p> <p>6) Is this causing you psychological distress and thereby an inability to make a true consent with full knowledge free of coercions and distress?</p>	<p>a) U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. “How long does the FDA take to approve a drug?” https://www.hiv.va.gov/patient/clinical-trials/drug-approval-process.asp</p> <p>b) FDA – The Drug Development Process 1/4/2018 https://www.fda.gov/patients/learn-about-drug-and-device-approvals/drug-development-process</p> <p>c) 10 dangerous drugs recalled by the FDA (July 24, 2019). https://www.mdlinx.com/article/10-dangerous-drugs-recalled-by-the-fda/lfc-4008</p> <p>5) https://wonder.cdc.gov/vaers.html and multiple other sources</p>

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Additional Points to Consider for Exemption Letters on "Right of Conscience" and "Bodily Integrity & Purity"

Source(s): Catechism of the Catholic Church (1995): "A human being must always obey the certain judgment of his conscience. If he were deliberately to act against it, he would condemn himself." (1790). https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_INDEX.HTM and various additional references sited.

POINTS TO CONSIDER	...ON RIGHT OF CONSCIENCE & BODILY INTEGRITY & PURITY	REFERENCES
<p>Obligation in conscience to maintain body's purity and integrity</p>	<p>1) I believe that the human person, rather than being a collection of parts, is a divinely designed body-soul composite with a divinely designed human immune system. This composite of body and soul is a gift from God and a temple of the Holy Spirit. I have the obligation to maintain my body's purity and integrity by not allowing unnecessary impurities to enter into it.</p> <p>2) I choose my God given natural immunity to viruses over ineffective, man-made attempts at immunity.</p> <p>3) Over 931 cases of COVID-19 occurred in Provincetown, MA associated with July 4th gathering. MMWR reported on 469 cases in which approx. three quarters (346; 74%) were in fully vaccinated persons (2 doses Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna) or single dose (Janssen). Five (5) were hospitalized four (4) of which were fully vaccinated. This outbreak was attributed to the delta variant. No deaths were reported.</p> <p>4) I believe these "vaccines" to prevent COVID-19 are more detrimental to my health than the actual virus.</p> <p>5) Adverse events described but not limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Stroke 2) Pulmonary Embolus 3) Deep Vein Thrombosis 4) Guillain-Barre Syndrome 5) Thrombocytopenia 6) Myocarditis 7) Pericarditis 8) Seizures 9) Death 10) Anaphylactic Reaction 11) Others <p>Survival rates in most age groups >99%</p>	<p>1) <i>Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own;</i>" (1 Corinthians 6:19)</p> <p>2) Twenty-six (26) studies demonstrating effectiveness of Natural Immunity. https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/here-are-the-studies-that-show-natural-immunity-provides-effective-protection-from-covid-19/</p> <p>3) Effectiveness of COVID-19 "vaccines". https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/wr/mm7031e2.htm & multiple other studies (e.g. Israel, Ireland).</p> <p>4) Vaccine Fact Sheets for healthcare providers (Pfizer, Moderna & Janssen)</p> <p>5) CDC VAERS (Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System) https://wonder.cdc.gov/vaers.html</p>

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Additional Points to Consider for Exemption Letters on
“Right of Conscience” and “Bodily Integrity & Purity”

Source(s): Catechism of the Catholic Church (1995): “A human being must always obey the certain judgment of his conscience. If he were deliberately to act against it, he would condemn himself.” (1790). [https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/ INDEX.HTM](https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/INDEX.HTM) and various additional references sited.

POINTS TO CONSIDER	...ON RIGHT OF CONSCIENCE & BODILY INTEGRITY & PURITY	REFERENCES
Obligation in conscience to maintain body’s purity and integrity (cont’d)	<p>4) It is contrary to my well-formed conscience to knowingly allow potential toxic substances to be injected into my body.</p> <p>Pfizer-BioNTech: ALC-0315=((4-hydroxybutyl) azanediyl)bis(hexane-6, 1-diyl)bis(2-hexyldecanoate), ACL-0159=2-[(polyethylene glycol)-2000]-N, N-ditetradecylacetamide, 1,2 Distearoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine, cholesterol, dibasic sodium phosphate dehydrate, monobasic potassium phosphate, sucrose,</p> <p>Moderna: SM-102, polyethylene glycol [PEG] 2000 dimyristoyl glycerol [DMG], cholesterol, 1,2-distearoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine [DSPC], tromethamine, tromethamine hydrochloride, acetic acid, sodium acetate trihydrate, sucrose.</p> <p>Janssen: virus particles (VP), citric acid monohydrate, trisodium citrate dehydrate, ethanol, 2-hydroxypropyl-B-cyclodextrin (HBCD), polysorbate-80, may contain residual host cell proteins and/or host cell DNA, replication-incompetent human adenovirus type 26 vector.</p>	<p>4) Pfizer-BioNTech: https://www.fda.gov/meda/144413/download Paragraph 13 (revised 20Oct2021)</p> <p>Moderna: https://www.fda.gov/meda/144637/download Paragraph13. (revised 20Oct2021)</p> <p>Jassen: https://www.fda.gov/meda/146304/download Paragraph 13 (revised 20Oct2021)</p>

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Points to Consider for Exemption Letters on
“Right of Conscience” and “Catholic Nursing”

Source: National Association of Catholic Nurses, U.S.A. www.nacn-usa.org

POINTS TO CONSIDER	...ON RIGHT OF CONSCIENCE	REFERENCES
Importance of my Faith and Nursing Profession	<p>I am a practicing “Catholic” Nurse, a member of the National Association of Catholic Nurses, U.S.A. (https://nacn-usa.org).</p> <p>This is a professional nursing organization which “promotes moral principles within the Catholic context in nursing” and “promotes education in Catholic Nursing.”</p>	<p>1) National Association of Catholic Nurses, U.S.A. https://nacn-usa.org.</p> <p>2) NACN-USA Mission and Objectives https://nacn-usa.org/about/about-nacn/</p>

LEGAL RESOURCES ON RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

LIBERTY COUNSEL	https://lc.org
LIBERTY INSTITUTE	https://www.libertyinstitute.org
PACIFIC JUSTICE INSTITUTE	https://pacificjustice.org
ADVOCATES FOR FAITH AND FREEDOM	https://faith-freedom.com
ALLIANCE DEFENDING FREEDOM	https://adflegal.org
NATIONAL LEGAL FOUNDATION	https://nationallegalfoundation.org
THOMAS MORE LAW CENTER	https://thomasmoresociety.org
CHRISTIAN LEGAL SOCIETY	https://christianlegalsociety.org
AMERICNA CENTER FOR LAW AND JUSTICE	https://aclj.org
CENTER FOR LAW & RELIGIOUS FREEDOM	https://clsreligiousfreedom.org/about-center
CHRISTIAN ATTORNEYS OF AMERICA	https://christianattorneysofamerica.com
CHRISTIAN LAW ASSOCIATION	https://christianlaw.org
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN LAWMAKERS	https://christianlawmakers.org
PACIFIC LEGAL FOUNDATION	https://pacificlegal.org
AMERICAN'S FRONTLINE DOCTORS LEGAL EAGLE DREAM TEAM	https://americasfrontlinedoctors.org

Legal Guidance against Mandates: A List of Firms that Can Help

https://fightthemandates.godaddysites.com/?fbclid=IwAR0M78_pz4SnG9QI7oZJeDp2MI3BBCV3VDmsFnBORG2kZWWxnKdWWdO9w3E

Know your rights:

“Your beliefs are your beliefs and do not need to be defended.” Source: Hall, Peggy (October 20, 2021) Federal Employees & Govt. Contractors-Religious Exemption Help. Watch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ipVPr88gO8g>

Ms. Hall is a Lawyer & Founder of The Healthy American.org

<https://www.thehealthyamerican.org/>. In her YouTube, *Federal Employees & Govt Contractors- Religious Exemption Help*, she bases her statements on the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) document “Section 12 - Religious Discrimination.” See <https://www.eeoc.gov/laws/guidance/section-12-religious-discrimination>.

Conscience and Religious Exemption to the COVID-19 Vaccination

Modified from Influenza Exemption Request from a Nurse

Before proceeding with my reason(s) for requesting this Religious Exemption for the COVID-19 “vaccine”, I acknowledge and understand the rationale for the COVID-19 mandate. The safety and well-being of patients and employees is considered in my assessment. I practice infection control habits to protect myself and others to help spread of germs, per policy. Additionally, we now have the availability of medications to prevent/treat COVID-19. We know that the COVID-19 vaccine has been ineffective in preventing the transmission of disease <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/wr/mm7031e2.htm>.

As a practicing Catholic, I believe the human person, rather than being a collection of parts, is a divinely designed body-soul composite with a divinely designed human immune system. This composite of body and soul is a gift from God and a temple of the Holy Spirit. I have the obligation to maintain my body’s purity and integrity by not allowing unnecessary impurities to enter into it.

1 Corinthians 6:19 states: *“Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own;”*

I find it contrary to my well-formed conscience to knowingly allow these potential toxic substances to be injected into my body. Some of these substances may include ACL-0159=2-[(polyethylene glycol)-2000]-N, polyethylene glycol [PEG] 2000 dimyristoyl glycerol [DMG], virus particles (VP), and/or residual host cell proteins and/or host cell DNA among many other ingredients listed on the EUA fact sheets. I believe the prevention of the COVID-19 by these inoculations is more detrimental to my health than the actual virus. I choose natural immunity to viruses over ineffective, man-made attempts at immunity.

Also, I am opposed to the lifting of the ban on fetal tissue research for vaccines via “warp speed”. I am 100% pro-life and will not place my potential immunity above defenseless infants being experimented on in the womb, while alive. These infants are used to develop vaccines without their consent. Recent scandal at Pittsburgh University points to a growing lack of transparency on the part of researchers, who use fetal cells/tissue to develop vaccines.

My Catholic faith obliges me to follow the judgement of my conscience. Regarding this matter, the Catechism of the Catholic Church reference relevant to this can be found in pages 438 to 441.

1778. *“Conscience is a judgement of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act that he is going to perform...Man is obliged to follow faithfully what he knows to be just and right. It is by the judgement of his conscience that man perceives and recognizes the prescriptions of the divine law:...”*

1782. *“Man has the right to act in conscience and in freedom so as personally to make moral decisions. He must not be forced to act contrary to his conscience. Nor must he be prevented from acting according to his conscience, especially in religious matters.”*

1790. *“A human being must always obey the certain judgment of his conscience. If he were deliberately to act against it, he would condemn himself.”*

Requiring me to receive this vaccine is requiring me to act in opposition to my conscience and contrary to my beliefs. In light of my religious convictions and the information noted in my first paragraph I have decided that the risks of the vaccine outweigh the benefits of the vaccine for me personally. I accept the risks of potential harmful effects of the COVID-19 infection.

Patient autonomy is an important tenet of the Catholic faith. Patrick C. Beeman published in the AMA Journal of Ethics how patient autonomy is a legitimate factor in supporting my request for exemption from the COVID-19 Vaccine Mandate and to forgo the COVID-19 vaccine. This excerpt illustrates this point.

The personal good of the patient, “what is good for humans as humans and members of the human community” includes maximizing his ability to decide for himself, to set his own course in life. The achievement of this subtle and demanding aspect of the good lies in respecting a patient’s autonomy, for instance, not coercing him into treatment with which he is uncomfortable but enhancing his understanding so that agreement to decisions about his care spring from who he is as a rational, decision-making being. The ultimate good of the person-at once the most important and intrinsic of the four aspects of the good -involves respecting religious, spiritual and other all-important beliefs of patients.

Note: Listen to “Know Your Rights” on page 11. Some recommend shorter statements. The above is provided for sample/possible content.

CHILDREN OF GOD FOR LIFE

<https://cogforlife.org/leadership/>

Children of God for Life has provided a comprehensive vaccine overview, guidance on the use of cell lines from aborted children in the production/testing of the COVID-19 “vaccines” and a Statement to Awaken Conscience. <https://cogforlife.org/vaccine-overview/>

Excerpt from: “To Awaken Conscience”

“There is a grave responsibility to use alternative vaccines and to make a conscientious objection with regard to those which have moral problems,” wrote the Pontifical Academy for Life in 2005, in guidance confirmed by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith; abortion-tainted vaccines create a “context of moral coercion of the conscience of parents, who are forced to choose to act against their conscience.” Indeed, many of us have spent decades trying to resist the abortion-tainted varicella and MMR vaccines, which were produced in the same compromised way, meeting resistance everywhere, being ‘fired’ by our physicians, and opposed even by leaders of our own churches. Many Catholic schools even *require* students to obtain the morally objectionable vaccines in order to attend.

These failures make us now question whether earlier capitulations (on the grounds that there was ‘no alternative’) were the right courses of action. The threats grow by the moment. Even now, there is pending legislation which would allow children the right to consent to vaccines *without parental knowledge*. Such a policy has implications far beyond the present crisis. We wish to call attention to the unintended consequences of a ‘soft opposition’ of words and not of deeds. Coercion in these and other matters hostile to life is coming.

We are told there is nearly ubiquitous use of HEK-293 cells in the scientific and medical industry. If this is so, we take it to be evidence of structures of sin surrounding abortion. We invite (and call upon our lawmakers to require) all product manufacturers to reveal publicly and label their use of these cells, so that we can go forward avoiding such products. More has been done to resist animal cruelty and the use of genetically modified organisms than to resist the benefiting from the murder of a child. (The very same papers which report tests of vaccines using HEK-293 cells take pains in their disclosures to say that no animals were mistreated in the course of their research!) We lament that we have been led to use compromised products and medicines in the past without knowledge. Let all that has been hidden be brought into the light.

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Abortion-Tainted Vaccines for US and Canada and Ethical Alternatives

DISEASE	PRODUCT NAME	MANUFACTURER	FETAL CELL LINE	ETHICAL VERSION	MANUFACTURER	CELL
ACUTE RESPIRATORY	Adenovirus 4, 7 Oral	Barr Labs	WI-38, HEK-293	None	NA	NA
CHICKENPOX	All Varivax, Varilrix	Merck, GSK	WI-38, MRC-5	None	NA	NA
COVID-19	See here.	Moderna, Pfizer, J&J, AstraZeneca	HEK-293, PER.C6	None	NA	NA
EBOLA	Advac, VSV-EBOV	J&J/Cruc, BioProt	HEK-293, PER.C6	Ervebo (rVSV-ZEBOV) 2-2020	Merck	Vero
HEPATITIS A HEPATITIS A&B, HEPATITIS A&TYPHOID INFECTION PREVENTION	Vaqta, Havrix, Avaxim, Epaxal	Merck, GSK, Sanofi, Berna GSK, Sanofi	MRC-5	Aimmugen (None in US or Canada) Engerix Hep-B Only, Recombivax Hep-B, TyphimVi	Kaketsuken (Japan Only)	Vero
MEASLES, MUMPS, RUBELLA	Twinrix, Vivaxim		MRC-5		GSK, Merck, Sanofi	Yeast
MEASLES-RUBELLA	G-CSF	Octapharma	HEK-293	Neupogen, Zarxio	Amgen, Sandoz	E-coli
MUMPS-RUBELLA	MMR, Priorix	Merck, GSK	RA273, WI-38, MRC-5	MR+M (Japan Only)	Mitsubishi, Kitasato	Egg, Rabbit
RUBELLA	NR Vax, Eolarix	Merck, GSK	RA273, WI-38, MRC-5	Attenuvax (Measles Only)* AIK- C+R, Tanabe (Japan)	Merck, Kitasato, Mitsubishi	Egg, Rabbit
MUMPS-RUBELLA	Biavax II	Merck	RA273, WI-38	Mumpsavax (Mumps Only)*	Merck	Egg
RUBELLA	Meruvax II	Merck	RA273, WI-38	Matsuura, Takahashi (Japan)	Mitsubishi, Kitasato	Egg, Rabbit
MMR+CHICKENPOX	ProQuad/MMR-V, Priorix Tetra	Merck, GSK	RA273, WI-38, MRC-5	None	NA	NA
RABIES	Imovax	Sanofi	MRC-5	RabAvert	GSK	Egg
SHINGLES	Zostavax	Merck	WI-38, MRC-5	Shingrix	GSK	Hamster
SMALLPOX	Acambis 1000	Acambis	MRC-5	ACAM2000, MVA3000	Acambix, Baxter	Vero

Note: ImmuneGlobulin shots will provide temporary immunity (4-6 months) for Hepatitis-A and Rubella (3-4 months).

***Ethically produced separate doses of measles and mumps vaccines are unavailable. Merck stopped providing them.**

If the vaccine you are questioning is not listed, then to our knowledge it is not abortion-tainted.

Most Common Fetal Cell Lines and Their Uses (Chronologically Ordered)

CELL LINE	YEAR	AGE	GENDER	BODY PART	HISTORY AND USES
WI-38	1962	12 weeks	male	fetal lung	Specimen No. 38, 32nd abortion, in Sweden. Shipped to Leonard Hayflick, Wistar Institute, Philadelphia. Used to culture RA273 for rubella and MMR vaccines and study lifetime of <i>in vitro</i> cell lines. ^{1,2}
WI-44	~1963	12 weeks	female	fetal lung	Specimen No. 44, 38th abortion, in Sweden. Shipped to Leonard Hayflick, Wistar Institute, Philadelphia. Used along with WI-26 and 38 to study lifetime of <i>in vitro</i> cell lines. ³
RA273	1964	6 weeks	unknown	fetal kidney	R=rubella, A=abortion, 27=27th baby, 3=3rd tissue. Rubella virus obtained from aborted fetus kidney used in Rubella and MMR vaccines. At least 99 abortions to create the rubella vaccine alone. ⁴
MRC-5	1966	14 weeks	male	fetal lung	Medical Research Council, abortion #5. Baby aborted for psychiatric reason, 27-year-old physically healthy woman. Used in (some) Polio, Rabies, Chickenpox, Hepatitis-A, Zostavax for shingles vaccines. ⁵
HEK-293	~1972	unknown	female?	fetal kidney	Human Embryonic Kidney, specimen #293 12, abortion in the Netherlands. Used for basic research. Used widely in pharmaceutical research, development, and production, especially in vaccines. ⁶
IMR-90	1975	16 weeks	female	fetal lung	Designer cell line to replace WI-38. Gestational age determined by fetal weight, shoulder to rump length of 7 cm. "...no apparent physical abnormalities." Abortion in US; Coriell Cell Repository. ^{7,8}
Lambda.hE1	~1980	second trimester	unknown	fetal liver	Abortion in US. Liver tissue from a second-trimester Caucasian fetus aborted for psychosocial indications, no obvious abnormalities. Used in Procrit, Epoetin α , Epogen, Aranesp, Darbepoetin alfa. ⁹
IMR-91	~1982	12 weeks	male	fetal lung	Designer cell line to replace MRC-5. Obtained after a abortion by hysterectomy at the time of sterilization on a 41-yr-old white female who was also a "one pack-a-day cigarette smoker." ^{10,11}
PER-C6	1985 1995	~17 weeks	unknown	fetal retina	Designed for the pharmaceutical industry, especially vaccines. Cells were frozen in 1985, thawed in 1995. Abortion in the Netherlands, "mother wanted to get rid of the fetus, father unknown." ¹²
WALVAX-2	2015	12 weeks	female	fetal lung	Designed to replace depleting supply of WI-38 and MRC-5. Abortion in China, 9th abortion, due to presence of a uterine scar from a previous cesarean birth by a 27-year-old healthy woman. ¹³

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