

To the Honorable Members of the Washington State Board of Health:

In accordance with RCW 70.05.120, I, John G Gehman, hereby formally allege the failure of the local health officers of the various counties of the State of Washington to carry out the laws or rules and regulations concerning public health.

Local health officers are refusing to comply with any of their clearly defined duties under the Washington State *Communicable Disease and Pandemic Response Concept of Operations*. See Appendix 4: Pandemic Response, ESF 8: Public Health, Medical and Mortuary Services, *Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan*

Local health officers are refusing to take any steps to control and prevent the spread of a dangerous and highly infectious SARS coronavirus that is occurring in their jurisdictions. RCW 70.05.070

Local health officers are failing to protect the public by refusing to enforce the rules and regulations relating to isolation and quarantine. WAC 246-100-040 through 060

Local health officers are failing to protect the public by enforcing the Statewide Face Covering Order issued by the Washington State Department of Health which only mandates the use of a cloth face cover made of nothing more substantial than a single layer of any type of tightly woven fabric. See Order of the Secretary of Health Amending Order 20-03, 20-03.10, Face Coverings – Statewide

According to Governor Jay Inslee, local health officers refusing to enforce our public health laws is resulting in the easily prevented deaths of more than ten people per day in Washington State. See Governor Inslee News Release, September 8, 2022

Local health officers have known since at least May 2020 that SARS-CoV-2 infections cause lymphopenia and significantly increase the risk of heart injury in pediatric patients – but refuse to take any steps to protect the public while actively recommending and sometimes encouraging behaviors they know will increase the public's risk of exposure to COVID-19. See Washington State Department of Health, May 18, 2020, *2019-nCoV Literature Situation Report (Lit Rep)* citing to Cui et al. (May 17, 2020). *Children with Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19): A Review of Demographic, Clinical, Laboratory and Imaging Features in 2,597 Pediatric Patients. Journal of Medical Virology.*

People are dying from easily prevented infections. Children are suffering needlessly. And the people responsible for ensuring that these deaths and sufferings do not happen are doing everything they can to increase the chances that people will die and children will suffer.

Please do everything reasonably possible to ensure that our public health laws are faithfully enforced.

Respectfully submitted on December 27, 2020 by:



John G Gelfman
328 S Davies Rd, Unit B
Lake Stevens, WA 98258
253 592 4573
jhngghmn@gmail.com