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I believe the Nuremburg Code ruling was made to protect the individual. We must be free to make our own informed decisions about our bodies regarding medical procedures. Free without coercion. Free without force, intimidation, and threat.

I believe in making my own medical decisions based on thorough examination of information. I prefer to minimize risk, but i cannot do that without information, data, and thorough safety testing. We simply do not have that information. It has not been available. If governmental agencies had their way, we would have to wait 50 plus years to get it.

Informed decisions require testing and safety data which typically takes a minimum of 4 years. An emergency use of a medication or medical device, while promoted, should never be mandated. Education and transparency is necessary.

We have an opportunity to protect our future generations by securing the time necessary to gather this data in order for all Mainers, all individuals, make an informed choice of our own. We have safety protocols in place, we have the natural immunity of hundreds of thousands in this state, along with an already vaccinated population. Mainers are resilient and we elevate personal choice.

I am concerned for the auto immune compromised people. I hear many say take it if you have an autoimmune disorder, and yet we do not have the information to make such a statement. We also do not have enough information to say, don't. And that is the point.

We are using an unproven delivery system; we have not used mRNA technology successfully in the past so there may indeed be side effects, that have yet to be thoroughly examined, side effects we might choose to avoid if only we had known. Wishful thinking is not science. Theory is not science. Testing, recording, validating and peer review are elements of science. Vaccine testing and safety protocols regarding Covid-19 have yet to be fully employed.

They say listen to the science. I am, and there is not enough adequate data for me to make the decision to be vaccinated against covid-19 under emergency use options presently in use, and you, do not have the right to make it for me, especially when you also lack the necessary information to make your own "informed" choice.

I do not give up my right of medical autonomy willingly. I worry that my children, now entering the workforce, will become sterile. You cannot assure me otherwise as we do not have the data. I worry there may be side effects that outweigh the benefit to my individual family members. You cannot assure me otherwise as we do not have the data. I worry about the aggressive nature to which our "leaders" pursue, almost at any length, to demand a submissive response on the part of Mainers, as if we are an ignorant people. We are not. We are ill-informed as we do not have the data and neither do you.

Mainers are a reasonable people group and will act in kind.

Please vote to support LD867; An Act to Prohibit Mandatory Covid-19 Vaccinations for 5 years to Allow for Safety Testing and Investigations into Reproductive Harm.