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Vaccine Definition Changed

By referring to COVID-19 vaccines as "vaccines" rather than gene therapies, the U.S. government is violating its 15 U.S. Code Section 41,5 which regulates deceptive practices in medical claims. Per this law, it is unlawful to advertise:⁶

"... that a product or service can prevent, treat, or cure human disease unless you possess competent and reliable scientific evidence, including, when appropriate, well-controlled human clinical studies, substantiating that the claims are true at the time they are made."

Further, you cannot have a "vaccine" that does not meet the definition of a vaccine. Up until recently, Merriam-Webster defined a vaccine as "a preparation of killed microorganisms, living attenuated organisms or living fully virulent organisms that is administered to produce or artificially increase immunity to a particular disease."⁷

COVID-19 vaccines are not conventional vaccines made with live or attenuated viruses. They're actually gene therapies. The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are made with lipid nanoparticles that contain polyethylene glycol (PEG)⁸ and messenger RNA (mRNA).

mRNA are snippets of genetic code that carries instructions for cells to produce proteins. The definition of genetic is "relating to genes" and genes contain instructional code that tell the body what proteins to make. Therapy is the medical treatment of disease, so mRNA vaccines are very clearly gene therapy.

As noted by David Martin, Ph.D., Moderna's SEC filings⁹ specify and stress that the FDA considers its technology a "gene therapy technology," originally intended for cancer treatment. Its mechanism of action also confirms it to be gene therapy. The mRNA gene therapies currently being misleadingly marketed as "vaccines" turn your cells into bioreactors that churn out viral proteins to incite an immune response, and there's no off-switch.¹⁰

Conveniently, since COVID-19 "vaccines" did not meet the former definition of vaccine, Merriam-Webster's vaccine definition has recently been changed to include a description of the experimental COVID-19 gene therapies:¹¹

"A preparation that is administered (as by injection) to stimulate the body's immune response against a specific infectious disease:

a: an antigenic preparation of a typically inactivated or attenuated (see attenuated sense 2) pathogenic agent (such as a bacterium or virus) or one of its components or products (such as a protein or toxin)

b: a preparation of genetic material (such as a strand of synthesized messenger RNA) that is used by the cells of the body to produce an antigenic substance (such as a fragment of virus spike protein)"

The simple Maxim of Law is that fraud vitiates everything it touches.