

THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

OBSERVATIONS ON THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Voices in the Wilderness: The Great Barrington Declaration. If we as a nation had followed science and not the politicization of science, would our nation be healthier and our economy stronger today?

Three prominent medical academics Kuldorff of Harvard, Gupta of Oxford, and Bhattacharya of Stanford joined up to draft the ***Great Barrington Declaration***. An additional 43 scientists and public health practitioners signed on to the declaration as co-signers. Since the October 4, 2020 statement over 925,000 signatures have been added to the declaration. The Declaration calls for a common-sense approach through *Focused Protection* as the best way to manage the pandemic. It appears in hindsight that following the wisdom of the GBD would have been the best path to follow in mitigating the effects of COVID-19.



Great Barrington
Declaration original
10-04-2020

To mask or not to mask remained a controversial subject in January of 2021.



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And in October of 2021, the ***British Journal of Sports Medicine*** published an article on the benefits of physical activity in controlling severe COVID-19 outcomes among infected adults.



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By January of 2022, we seemed to have made a full circle since the publishing of the Great Barrington Declaration when the **Johns Hopkins Institute for Applied Economics, Global Health, and the Study of Business Enterprise** published "**A Literature Review and Meta-Analysis of the Effects of Lockdowns on Covid-19 Mortality**" that found that the average lockdown in Europe and the U.S.A. only reduced COVID-19 mortality by 0.2% and that lockdowns are not an effective method for reducing mortality rates in a pandemic.



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