

Vaccine Passports and Health Passes: Is Showing Your "Papers" the "New Normal?"

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Life cannot return to normal until there is a vaccine for COVID 19.

At least, that is what governments, corporations, and their mainstream propaganda media outlets have been incessantly arguing. Interestingly, the development of that vaccine was "warp speed," allegedly at the behest of the Trump administration.

"Warp speed" also took place in other countries like the UK, where shots have been administered. This information has caused some to question whether the vaccine was ready long before the announcement was made or, indeed, before the pandemic ever began.

They tried to warn us about mandated vaccines

Years ago, "conspiracy theorists" were ridiculed for warning of a system in which vaccines would be required to access normal aspects of life. Today, however, government officials and MSM are now openly discussing the very same system.

In case you have been living under a rock for the past several weeks, here are several instances where the "public discussion" has centered around the idea of a "vaccine passport" or "immunity passport" or the general blockade and sanctioning of anyone not willing to take the jab.

Chief Medical Officer of Health for Ontario Dr. David Williams <u>recently stated</u> that individuals who refuse the COVID-19 vaccination might "face some limits." Some of the "limits" he suggested included not being able to enter a hospital or nursing home without showing proof of having been vaccinated without personal protective equipment.

Welcome to the new normal: Vaccine Passports and Health Passes

For the moment, vaccine passports are <u>mainly intended</u> for international travel. However, their use can be extended to many other areas of life. Vaccine passports in the form of free mobile apps in which a traveler (or event goer, employee, or shopper) uploads their COVID-19 test results or vaccination status.

There are currently two existing vaccine passports options, one being operational in the United States right now.

- Common Pass: Created by Commons Project, this health pass has been in international use since October on United and Cathay Pacific flights between New York, London, Singapore, and Hong Kong. Common Pass operates via Apple's Health app on iOS and CommonHealth for Android. It connects to 230 US health systems. It functions as a scannable QR code and can store a passenger's test or vaccine data and travel plans. (It is not yet publicly available for download.)
- <u>IATA Travel Pass:</u> Expected to launch in early 2021, IATA Travel Pass, is currently under development by the International Transport Association. According to the <u>IATA</u> website, the digital pass for travelers is: A global and standardized solution to validate and authenticate all country regulations regarding COVID-19 passenger travel requirements.

Vaccination tickets: the future of concert and event-goers

Ticketmaster announced that it is exploring the possibility of requiring proof of vaccination for ticket purchases and entrance to events. An article published on <u>Billboard</u> stated:

Ticketmaster has been working on a framework for post-pandemic fan safety that uses smartphones to verify fans' vaccination status or whether they've tested negative for the coronavirus within a 24 to 72-hour window.

Many details of the plan, still in development, will rely on three separate components: the Ticketmaster digital ticket app, third party health information companies like CLEAR Health Pass or IBM's Digital Health Pass, and testing and vaccine providers like LabCorp and CVS Minute Clinic.

If the vaccination tickets are approved, how would it work?

The Billboard article gives further details about what people will have to do to attend concerts and other events.

- After purchasing tickets, concert fans will have to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination or test negative 24-72 hours before the event
- Fans must have proof of vaccination or test results delivered to a health pass company, such as CLEAR or IBM
- Health pass company verifies the attendee's COVID-19 status to Ticketmaster (Ticketmaster will not be granted access to fan's medical records)
- Vaccinated fans or those with negative test results would be issued the credentials needed to access the event by Ticketmaster
- Fans testing positive or who can not verify their status will not be granted access to any event.

Different states will have different requirements

The primary role of health pass companies will be to collect data from testing and medical providers and deliver status updates to partner companies. This would be done in a secure,

encrypted way that complies with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

For individuals financially privileged enough to afford to buy the ever-more expensive tickets from the Ticketmaster's monopoly, the world will have taken a giant step forward into the "new normal."

Airlines are quickly following suit

<u>From CNN:</u> Australia's national carrier Qantas will require future <u>international travelers</u> to provide proof of vaccination against <u>Covid-19</u> before flying.

The airline's CEO Alan Joyce said in an interview with CNN affiliate Nine News on Monday that the move would be a "necessity" when coronavirus vaccines are readily available.

Joyce said the airline was looking at changing its terms and conditions to "ask people to have a vaccination before they get on the aircraft."

"Whether you need that domestically, we will have to see what happens with Covid-19 in the market. But certainly, for international visitors coming out and people leaving the country, we think that's a necessity," the Qantas chief said.

While Qantas is the first airline to indicate that Covid-19 vaccinations would be a must before travel, others may soon require this as well.

Whatever the "new normal" is for travel will quickly spill over into everyday life

Researchers suspect these new "passports" will quickly be extended to employment, education, and even buying food.

Judging by the behaviors of those around us, all of those concerns are entirely legitimate.

What will you do if you can't attend a favorite event, or fly to see your family? Will you have a choice? If so, what choice will you make? Is this the hill you're willing to die on or will you go with the flow? Let us know what you think in the comments.

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