**Template letter to businesses requiring proof of vaccination or negative PCR test to access their premises.**

**Dear …………………..** *[name of the company]* **management,**

It has come to my attention that you are not allowing parents/ clients to enter your premises without proof of Covid-19 vaccination or a negative PCR test.

I appreciate that you are trying to ensure the safety of your clients, however, I urge you to consider the following points:

What are the benefits of implementing such a policy?

What are the costs?

Are businesses entitled to discriminate against people based on their health preferences/ status?

Here are some facts for your attention:

1. The Covid-19 injections are not mandated by the ……..……. *[name of country]* government*. [hyperlink a reference or delete this sentence if not applicable]*

Under all biomedical ethical guidelines, individuals have the right to **informed consent** (the right to consent to a medical procedure without pressure, coercion or force) and **bodily autonomy** (the right to make decisions pertaining to one’s body and health). Consider reading this [informed consent for the Covid-19 injections](https://www.pandata.org/informed-consent/).

2. Unvaccinated individuals don’t pose a higher risk to society than vaccinated individuals. Vaccinated individuals [catch](https://www.science.org/doi/10.1126/science.abm0620) and [spread](https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.10.20.21265137v1) the virus to others in a [similar way](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanepe/article/PIIS2666-7762%2821%2900258-1/fulltext?s=08#%20), and sometimes [more](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3897733), than unvaccinated people.

3. The PCR tests are very unreliable in determining infectiousness, especially at high cycle thresholds (e.g., [97%](https://academic.oup.com/cid/article/72/11/e921/5912603) of positive tests are false at Ct of 35) and may remain positive for up to [3 months](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7532802/) following infection when the individual is no longer infectious.

4. Recovered individuals have far better [immunity](https://brownstone.org/articles/79-research-studies-affirm-naturally-acquired-immunity-to-covid-19-documented-linked-and-quoted/) against further infection or transmission than the vaccines provide.

Exerting social pressure on individuals to influence their medical choices is wrong morally and ethically. It leads to individuals, who do not benefit from the Covid-19 injections, to be injected in order to be able to access services. They are thus endangering their lives through risking potential adverse events associated with the injections.

Although your policy is well-intentioned, its inherent discriminatory nature can have serious deleterious implications on society.

Discriminatory policies have never served us well in the past.

I am happy to discuss any of the above with you at your convenience.

Kind Regards,

[Full Name]