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Blocking of use of Ivermectin

Dear Mr Donnelly;

It is now quite clear that there is a worrying and somewhat sinister attempt to block the use of Ivermectin in the prevention or treatment of SARS-CoV2 infections. This despite numerous randomised control trials, observational trials and case studies. The arguments against use include lack of evidence, clearly this isn't the case and the safety profile. This drug is 50 years old and has resulted in approximately 20 deaths in that time. Aspirin has killed multiples of this number.

Given that much of the evidence has been in existence for at least one year, and more has subsequently emerged, I would assert that the writers of the ICGP guidelines (April 2020) and the subsequent HIQA guidelines (January 2021) are guilty of the crime of wilful blindness as defined: "The doctrine of willful blindness imputes knowledge to an accused whose suspicion is aroused to the point where he or she sees the need for further inquiries, but deliberately chooses not to make those inquiries."

As are those who were party to sanctioning such documents. The instructions in these documents advised GPs to basically do nothing in the initial phases, except perhaps have a PCR test to confirm infection, most were not seen by their family doctors, and if they worsened were sent to hospital.

Sadly, many of those in nursing homes were not offered a hospital admission, instead were given oxygen, morphine and midazolam whilst awaiting death.

In all these cases a window of opportunity in the early stages of this condition was lost.

No doubt some of these people would have worsened and died anyway but we will never know how many could have survived because, in the main, GPs did nothing.

Yours Sincerely,

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