

McCormick used his credentials as a doctor to defend the failed Washington response to the Coronavirus, contradicted experts, and spoke out against wearing masks.

McCormick: After Talking To Over 25 Physicians – Including Some Of The Leading Experts In Infectious Disease – One Thing That’s For Sure Is That The Media Has Made This Much Worse Than It Actually Is. “I just got done talking to over 25 physicians, including some of the leading experts in infectious disease about coronavirus. One of the things that’s for sure is that the media has made this much worse than it actually is. They continually blame the President for not doing enough. I’m here to tell you that the President is doing everything possible. We could spend a trillion dollars on this disease and it would still spread. The media continually says that we should be doing more and that we’re not doing enough. Where was their outrage in 2017 and 18 when over 70,000 Americans died of the flu? Where was the media this year when anywhere from 14 to 70,000 people died of the flu and 400,000 people in the world died of the flu. People weren’t making runs on their grocery stores, and the media wasn’t blowing it out of proportion. But they seem to think that this is going to sell papers, and they can politicize it. And that’s the problem. I’m Dr. Rich McCormick. I’m looking for a good conversation, one based on medical fact and not media hype.” [Rich McCormick via Twitter, [3/10/20](#)]

McCormick: I’m Here To Tell You That The President Is Doing Everything Possible. “I’m here to tell you that the President is doing everything possible.” [Rich McCormick via Twitter, [3/10/20](#)]

McCormick Concluded The Video With: “I’m Dr. Rich McCormick. I’m Looking For A Good Conversation, One Based On Medical Fact And Not Media Hype.” “I’m Dr. Rich McCormick. I’m looking for a good conversation, one based on medical fact and not media hype.” [Rich McCormick via Twitter, [3/10/20](#)]

May 2020: McCormick Claimed That Coronavirus Death Figures Inflated And That “A Good Majority” Of Fatalities Were The Primary Result Of Another Condition Or Illness. “MCCORMICK: ‘This is where the statistics really get skewed. Because all these people that they say are assumed COVID deaths, or tested positive for COVID and died of something. Literally, you could talk about probably a good majority of those people who died who had COVID did not die from it at all, not even not even remotely.’” [Doctor’s Lounge, 34:32, [5/14/20](#)]

McCormick Made The Claim That Coronavirus Death Figures Were Inflated On A Podcast Segment Entitled “The Doctors Lounge.” [America’s Web Radio via YouTube, [5/14/20](#)]

McCormick Urged His Followers Not To Panic About Coronavirus, Arguing The Virus Was “No Different Than Other Coronaviruses We Have Had In The Past Decade.” “Do not panic! The world is not coming to an end! In historical context this virus is no different than the other coronaviruses we have had in the past decade. Elderly, immune compromised people should take caution to not get sick. Just like they should everyday. #COVID2019” [Rich McCormick via Twitter, [3/9/20](#)]



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So last year 37,000 Americans died from the common Flu. It averages between 27,000 and 70,000 per year. Nothing is shut down, life & the economy go on. At this moment there are 546 confirmed cases of CoronaVirus, with 22 deaths. Think about that!

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[Rich McCormick via Twitter, [3/9/20](#)]

McCormick: “As An ER Doctor And Former Military Officer, I Commend President Trump And Those Governors Willing To Step Up And Reopen America Safely.” “As an ER doctor and former military officer, I commend [@realDonaldTrump](#) and those governors willing to step up and reopen America safely. #wednesdaymorning #DonaldTrump #OPENAMERICANOW #SmallBusiness #GA07 #Gapol” [Rich McCormick via Twitter, [4/22/20](#)]

McCormick: “They’re Trying To Blame President Trump For A Virus. Tell Me What We Haven’t Done To Contain This Virus.” “They’re trying to blame President Trump for a virus. Tell me what we haven’t done to contain this virus.” [Rich McCormick via Twitter, [2/27/20](#)]

April 2020: McCormick Praised Donald Trump’s Leadership Against “Terrorists, Socialists, And The [Coronavirus]” While Arguing That “Free Market Capitalism” Has Helped Save America From The Virus. “.@realDonaldTrump has given up so much to lead this country against Terrorists, Socialists, and the #COVID19Pandemic. I am so grateful to have him in charge. Free market capitalism has stepped up huge to save this country and fight this enemy. Flag of United States #COVID19 #ChinaVirus” [Rich McCormick via Twitter, [4/2/20](#)]

May 2020: McCormick Said That There Was No Evidence That Masks Were Effective At Mitigating The Spread Of The Virus. “MCCORMICK: ‘So one of the things I've noticed is that we've had now I don't blame everybody. I don't even believe Fauci or anybody for having these evolving opinions because we as physicians do what we're trained for. And originally, they tried to go off evidence. And that's where the mass thing came. We have no evidence, specifically scientific evidence to show what the effectiveness of masks is, maybe it's sufficient. Maybe it's not, we don't know. Because there's you can't do a side by side comparison of a virus and how easily it's...now we have some idea that yes, the more we stay away from each other, the less we're going to contaminate each other. But let's think about this. The original intent of social distancing, and the lockdown was to what flatten the curve. Now, we said, that's no longer there.’” [Doctor’s Lounge, 41:05, [5/14/20](#)]

April 2020: The CDC Issued Its First Recommendation That All Americans Wear Masks Or Some Sort Of Covering In Public. “President Trump said Friday the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention now recommends that people wear cloth or fabric face coverings, which can be made at home, when entering public spaces such as grocery stores and public transit stations. It is mainly to prevent those people who have the virus — and might not know it — from spreading the infection to others. The guidelines do not give many details about coverings beyond: ‘cloth face coverings fashioned from household items or made at home from common materials at low cost can be used as an additional, voluntary public health measure.’” [NPR, [4/3/20](#)]

McCormick Cited His Medical Credentials And Referenced Other Physicians He Claimed Were Prescribing Hydroxychloroquine “Because They Think It Works.” “I am a doctor, and I know several pulmonologists and intensivists who are prescribing hydroxychloroquine because they think it works.” [Rich McCormick via Twitter, [4/9/20](#)]

McCormick On Criticisms Regarding Trump Promoting Hydroxychloroquine: “A Lot Of Armchair Physicians Are Commenting On The Medications [President Trump] Is Taking...Here Is An Idea, Let Doctors Be Doctors.” “A lot of armchair physicians are commenting on the medications @realDonaldTrump is taking. The left says decisions should be between a doctor and a patient unless they disagree, then the media should make the decisions. Here is an idea, let doctors be doctors. #Covid_19 #GA07” [Rich McCormick via Twitter, [5/19/20](#)]

McCormick Said Hydroxychloroquine Was One Of His Hospital’s Standard Treatments For Coronavirus.

HOST: “Hydroxychloroquine continues to be a trending topic as numerous doctors report seeing success treating COVID-19 patients with the drug. One of those doctors is Dr. Richard McCormick, an emergency room physician in Georgia who’s also running for the Peach State’s 7th Congressional District. He joins us now. [...] As a doctor yourself, what are some cases where you’ve seen hydroxychloroquine treat patients with coronavirus?”

MCCORMICK: “So one of our standards is when we admit a patient, and that means they’re sick enough to be treated in the hospital, is we use hydroxychloroquine as one of our standard treatments. [...] A lot of people say that we should include zinc in that there’s a synergistic effect that we feel has been the most effective at this point, but there is some data that’s missing. Remember this is a novel virus. There’s a lot we don’t know. There’s a lot of different trials that we’re floating right now. [...] There’s over a hundred studies right now worldwide on different drug treatments. There’s new drugs coming out all the time, so this is going to be a learning process for all of us.” [One America News Network via YouTube, [5/27/20](#)]

The FDA Revoked The Emergency Use Authorization That Allowed Hydroxychloroquine To Be Used To Treat COVID-19, Saying It Was “Unlikely To Be Effective In Treating COVID-19” And Cited “Ongoing Serious Cardiac Adverse Events And Other Potential Serious Side Effects.” “Today, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) revoked the emergency use authorization (EUA) that allowed for chloroquine phosphate and hydroxychloroquine sulfate donated to the Strategic National Stockpile to be used to treat certain hospitalized patients with COVID-19 when a clinical trial was unavailable, or participation in a clinical trial was not feasible. The agency determined that the legal criteria for issuing an EUA are no longer met. Based on its ongoing analysis of the EUA and emerging scientific data, the FDA determined that chloroquine and hydroxychloroquine are unlikely to be effective in treating COVID-19 for the authorized uses in the EUA. Additionally, in light of ongoing serious cardiac adverse events and other potential serious side effects, the known and potential benefits of chloroquine and hydroxychloroquine no longer outweigh the known and potential risks for the authorized use.” [FDA – Press Release, [6/15/20](#)]

McCormick Cited A Study Regarding Sterile Gloves And The Size Of Bacteria Compared To Viruses To Downplay The Effectiveness Of Masks. “MCCORMICK: ‘don't think that you're safe, because you're wearing a mask and don't think that you're not safe. When you're not wearing a mask. There's way too much labeling going on right now. And there's a big difference between bacteria and virus when you're talking about communicable diseases. [...] When we suture somebody who has a laceration. It used to be for a while people wanted to wear

sterile gloves and make sure that every you know, had a mask on everything like that. So they did studies on it. And I'm talking about well-powered study, 10s of thousands of people studying to see what the reoccurrence of infection was, after I get done washing this moon and suturing it with gloves that were normal gloves I just took out of a box or gloves that came out of a package that were absolutely sterile for sure. And when they found after these extensive stays was you actually have a slightly higher infection rate with the sterile gloves. [...] But in other words, there's no absolutely no variance. And that's a bacterial infection. Now bacteria are hundreds of times, maybe thousands times larger than, than a virus.” [Doctor’s Lounge, YouTube, 20:00, [7/9/20](#)]

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McCormick Said People Shouldn’t Be Vilified For Not Wearing Masks In Public. “RM; ‘Now I'm not going to vilify you if you're not wearing a mask, but don't vilify people who aren't wearing a mask thinking that they don't care. Some don't, maybe some do. It doesn't really matter. But let's talk about the facts.’” [Doctor’s Lounge, YouTube, 22:53, [7/9/20](#)]