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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Physicians, Property Rights and the Pandemic

Joel Zinberg's op-ed "Covid Patients Suffer as Bureaucrats Try to Practice Medicine" (Feb. 8) eloquently points out how the Food and Drug Administration has exceeded its reach and is meddling in medical treatments.

Facing the pandemic, the medical profession took a back seat to the government task forces, which have made flagrant missteps. While physicians treated patients, the directions of care were outlined largely by government agencies would be more adept than the clinicians, the "foot soldiers" in the field? Physicians have been disrespected—taken out of the equation and largely ignored or silenced in policy-making.

It is imperative that the medical profession steps up and assumes a larger role in directing future decision-making. It is time for a policy of laissez-faire from Washington that allows the doctors to be doctors.

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Mr. Zinberg highlights a sad, avoidable contrast between the Biden administration's red-tape approach and the property rights-centric, market-based success of Operation Warp Speed. The latter relied on secure private-property rights of biopharmaceutical companies as incentives to develop Covid-19 vaccines and to achieve the goal in record time. The Biden administration's cronomanagement of access to monoclonal antibody treatments, by contrast, has undermined property rights and throttled the market for these medicines.

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## Pay for Wokeness: The Private-

Andrew Gutmann and Paul Rossi's op-ed "Inside the Woke Indoctrination Machine" (Feb. 12) exposes how the DEI agenda seeks 1. Diversity, by classifying people by identity, such as race; 2. Equity, by promoting victimhood arising from "intergenerational violence"; and 3. Inclusion, by viewing the world as biased, racist and Any rational person can stands for divi-

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