

Overinflated Covid Death Counts: Gunshot Wounds, Parkinson's Disease, Car Accidents. Incorrectly Attributed to COVID-19.

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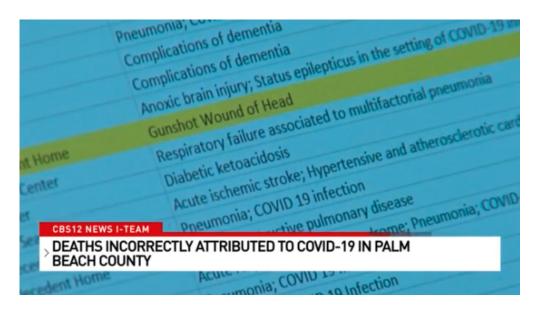
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When it comes to overinflated coronavirus death counts, we recently outlined how a fatal motorcycle accident in Florida was added to the state's COVID-19 death toll. Still, no precise data shows just how overinflated death counts are on a state by state level.

We have to rely on real journalism, such as a new report via <u>CBS12 West Palm</u>, that made a shocking discovery about deaths being incorrectly attributed to the virus.

CBS12 said a **60-year old man who died from a gunshot blast to the head** was labeled as a virus death. A 90-year old man who fell and died from a hip fracture was another. Even a 77-year old woman who died of Parkinson's disease was somehow labeled a virus-related death.



Source: CBS12

CBS12's I-Team investigated these statistical anomalies by combing through the Medical Examiner's spreadsheet of all people who recently died of the virus in Palm Beach County.

What they found are "eight cases in which a person was counted as a COVID death, but did not have COVID listed as a cause of contributing cause of death."

For more color on how a COVID-19 death is determined, it must be an immediate or underlying cause of death. So a gunshot to the head, a falling accident, and or Parkinson's disease certainly doesn't fit the defined criteria of classifying these deaths as virus-related.

Residents in South Florida are furious about the overinflated death toll:

"I think it is completely misleading," said Rachel Eade, a Palm Beach County resident who has been researching the same issue.

"We need to remove those cases that are not COVID exclusive, and we need to be giving people that information," said Eade, who is one of the plaintiffs suing Palm Beach County for its mask mandate.

Eade told the I-Team she's been digging around in medical reports and said, out of the 581 deaths, only 169 deaths are listed as COVID-19 without any contributing factors.

Florida **Gov. Ron DeSantis** recently told Fox News that his staff has been informed about virus deaths being incorrectly reported.

DeSantis said, "I think the public, when they see the fatality figures, they want to know who died because they caught COVID."

"If you're just in a car accident – and we have had other instances where there is no real relationship, and it's been counted, we want to look at that and see how pervasive that issue is as well."

Palm Beach County Medical Examiner's office and Operations Manager **Paul Petrino** told the I-Team the eight cases were, in fact, errors. He said his medical staff was in the process of relabeling those deaths.

Readers may recall, here's **Dr. Scott Jensen** on Fox News in April providing more color on the situation.

If virus-related deaths are being overinflated in Florida, is the same being done in other states?

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