

# PolitiFact Malarky on Coronavirus Shots

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*PolitiFact claims to be a fact-checking organization that exposes false information. But, in practice, PolitiFact can turn out to instead be the promoter of false information.*

For example, consider this paragraph from a PolitiFact [article](#) from last week by Madison Czopek:

Pfizer’s mRNA vaccine, marketed as Comirnaty, in August 2021 became the [first COVID-19 vaccine](#) to achieve full approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Millions of people have received the two-dose Pfizer vaccine, which is a [safe](#) and effective way to prevent COVID-19.

This short, two-sentence paragraph from the self-proclaimed fact-checking organization is filled with falsehoods.

First, the coronavirus shots from Pfizer-BioNtech are not a “vaccine” under the normal meaning of the term. As Dr. Joseph Mercola explained early in 2021, soon after the rollout of the shots, the shots from both Pfizer-BioNtech and Moderna are better understood as “gene therapy.” Further, Mercola addressed in an [article](#) on the matter that even at that early stage supposed fact checkers were trying to suppress the different nature of these new shots.

Maybe it is OK to let this first problem slide. Even many people who challenge the shots’ worthiness often just call them “vaccines.” You might expect more from someplace saying it is doing fact checking, but it is within the normal range of how people talk about the coronavirus shots.

The next two problems, though, are inexcusable.

Second, contrary to what the PolitiFact article suggests, there has been no widespread use

of Pfizer's Comirnaty shot. What millions of people have received is a different shot — Pfizer-BioNTech's emergency use authorization coronavirus shot. Megan Redshaw explains the situation regarding Comirnaty in a July 11 [article](#) at the Children's Health Defense website:

According to Pfizer's [press release](#), Comirnaty was previously made available to the 12 to 15 age group in the U.S. under EUA [(Emergency Use Authorization)] and 9 million U.S. adolescents in this age group have completed a primary series.

'The vaccine, sold under the brand name Comirnaty for adults, has been available under an emergency use authorization since May 2021 for the 12-15 age group," [Reuters reported](#). "It will now be sold under the same brand name for adolescents as well.'

Yet, Pfizer's [information hotline](#) says it has no specific information on when Comirnaty will be available.

The [FDA said](#) Friday the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine 'has been, and will continue to be, authorized for emergency use in this age group since May 2021.'

The CDC's website [states](#) that Comirnaty is 'not orderable.'

A branch of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services overseeing the [Strategic National Stockpile](#) indicated Comirnaty was [not available](#) because Pfizer did not have time to change the labels.

According to [FDA documents](#), Comirnaty is not available in the U.S. and nobody has received a fully approved and licensed COVID-19 vaccine.

Third, the paragraph from the Politifact article repeats the favorite mantra of politician and big money media pushing the coronavirus shots: The shots are "safe and effective." Regarding the shots supposed safety, I dealt with that matter in a previous article challenging PolitiFact's pharmaceutical propaganda. You can read [here](#) my February 13 article "PolitiFact's Crummy Fact-checking on Coronavirus Shots Safety." As far as effectiveness, is PolitiFact joking? Even Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Director Rochelle P. Walensky finally [admitted](#) back in August of 2021 what had become common knowledge among observers of the coronavirus shots' effects: The shots do not prevent transmission of coronavirus. Wake up, PolitiFact. It is a year later and you are still touting the shots as an "effective way to prevent COVID-19." Oh boy. And across America and the world we have seen the continued failure of the shots to prevent coronavirus-related sickness and death for shot recipients as well. For a sample of the evidence indicating the shots' are ineffective and even counterproductive in preventing sickness and death read [here](#) Daniel Horowitz's analysis of data from Great Britain in a March 22 The Blaze article.

The coronavirus shots have proven to be a big failure in regard to their hyped health promotion purposes. Nonetheless — facts, schmacts — PolitiFact continues on in its role as the shots' dogged promoter.

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