watchuncensored.com

A site hosting videos that it says have been “banned by YouTube,” including videos making false claims about the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccines.

Ownership and Financing

WatchUncensored.com’s ownership is unclear. Although no owner is disclosed on the site itself, the site’s Donate page links to a PayPal account with an email address matching that of Attorney Robert Sheldon, as listed in a Florida Bar Association directory. Sheldon did not return an email and a phone call from NewsGuard seeking comment on whether he owns the website.

The site accepts donations. It does not run advertisements.

Content

The About This Site section at the bottom of WatchUncensored.com’s homepage states, “We created this page so people could see videos banned by YouTube & decide for themselves, without a censor, what is true.”

The site’s content largely consists of videos promoting conspiracy theories about the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccines. Some of these videos, such as the first part of a documentary called “Plandemic” that had been removed from Facebook and YouTube, are hosted on the site itself. Others, such as a video titled “Why Covid-19 is Not What You Think,” are shared from YouTube — despite the site’s claim that its purpose is to publish videos that have been banned by the video platform.

The site’s Vaccine Safety section consists of multiple videos promoting conspiracy theories about vaccines. These videos, from a series titled “The Truth About Vaccines,” were produced by Ty and Charlene Bollinger, a couple who own TheTruthAboutCancer.com, a NewsGuard Red-rated website that has promoted false health claims about vaccines, COVID-19, and cancer.

Criteria are listed in order of importance.

More information.
WatchUncensored.com has published multiple videos promoting a variety of false claims and unsubstantiated conspiracy theories about the COVID-19 pandemic.

For example, in the first part of the “Plandemic” documentary, dated July 2020 on WatchUncensored.com, molecular biologist and anti-vaccine activist Judy Mikovits claimed that the COVID-19 virus has been manipulated in a lab. “It’s very clear, this virus was manipulated, this family of viruses was manipulated and studied in a laboratory where the animals were taken into the laboratory,” Mikovits said. “And this is what was released, whether deliberate or not, that cannot be naturally occurring.”

There is no evidence to support the claim that the virus was manipulated or that it is not “naturally occurring.” A March 2020 study published in the journal Nature Medicine concluded that the virus “is not a laboratory construct or a purposefully manipulated virus.” An earlier study, published in February 2020 in the journal Nature, found that the COVID-19 virus is “96% percent identical at the whole-genome level to a bat coronavirus.”

In an April 2020 statement, the U.S. intelligence community said that it “concurs with the wide scientific consensus that the COVID-19 virus was not manmade or genetically modified.” It later said that the intelligence community “will continue to rigorously examine emerging information and intelligence to determine whether the outbreak began through contact with infected animals or if it was the result of an accident at a laboratory in Wuhan.”

In the same video, Mikovits said, “If you’ve ever had a flu vaccine, you were injected with coronaviruses.” In fact, there are no coronaviruses in a flu shot. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, flu vaccines contain either an inactivated or partial influenza virus, which is in a separate family of viruses from coronaviruses.

Another video hosted on the site featured Dr. Kelly Victory, a Colorado-based health care consultant with training in emergency medicine, promoting false claims
about face masks. In the July 2020 video, headlined “Breaking down Covid-19 by Dr. Kelly Victory,” Kelly said, “Many people are wearing masks other than surgical and medical masks, and many of them are not porous enough to allow carbon dioxide that we exhale to fully dissipate. So on every inhalation, we breathe back in more carbon dioxide.”

Health experts say that cloth face masks do not carry the risk of carbon dioxide accumulation, as Victory suggested. According to a May 2020 article from health fact-checking site HealthFeedback.org, heavier duty surgical or N95 masks used by health care workers are porous enough to allow gas molecules such as carbon dioxide and oxygen to pass through, while limiting exposure to the respiratory droplets that could spread the COVID-19 virus. Cloth masks recommended for use by the general public have a looser fit than masks used in health care settings, HealthFeedback.org reported, making them even less likely to result in the accumulation of carbon dioxide.

Moreover, multiple scientific studies, including a June 2020 study published in The Lancet, an April 2020 study in Nature Medicine, and a May 2020 study in BMJ Global Health, have concluded that the usage of face masks can curb the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

Another July 2020 video post, titled “The Danger Of Facemasks – Canadian Worker Tests Dangerous Oxygen Deprivation,” consisted of a YouTube video of an unidentified man purporting to test his oxygen level by placing an air quality monitor underneath his face mask. In the video, the monitor recorded a 17.4 percent oxygen level when placed underneath the mask, which the man presented as proof that masks limit a person’s oxygen supply. “If you’re wondering about headaches and stuff like that, there’s why, because you’re not getting enough oxygen,” the man said.

In fact, face masks do not limit a person’s oxygen supply, as evidenced by health care workers who regularly wear masks for long periods of time without suffering the effects of oxygen deprivation. As stated
above, masks worn by health care workers and cloth masks are porous enough to allow gas molecules such as carbon dioxide and oxygen to pass through.

In addition, a July 2020 article from fact-checking website Lead Stories.com addressed this video, reporting that the air quality monitor the man used is not designed for this purpose, as it is meant to detect gases in much larger areas. The 17.4 percent oxygen level recorded by the device was measuring the level of oxygen in the man’s exhaled breath, rather than the oxygen level inside his body. According to a July 2020 article on FactCheck.org about a similar video, a person’s exhaled breath typically contains about 16 percent oxygen.

The site has also promoted false health claims about vaccines. For example, a June 2020 post titled “The REAL Reason Behind the Push for Forced Vaccines,” consisted of a video from a YouTube channel called “The Truth Podcast.” The video claimed that the purpose of vaccinations was population control and that a polio vaccination program in India funded by Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates led to widespread paralysis. “One of his vaccine campaigns caused 47,500 cases of paralysis and death,” the video said. “The Indian Supreme Court claimed that the drug trials being run by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation were illegal.”

There is no evidence that Gates’ polio vaccine program in India caused widespread paralysis, according to articles from fact-checking websites Full Fact and PolitiFact.

Because WatchUncensored.com regularly publishes videos that have promoted false claims about the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccines, NewsGuard has determined that the site repeatedly publishes false content, does not gather and present information responsibly, and does not avoid deceptive headlines.

WatchUncensored.com does not state a corrections policy, and NewsGuard did not find any corrections on the site.
WatchUncensored.com does not purport to publish straight news and does not have sections labeled as either news or opinion. Therefore, NewsGuard has determined that the site does not handle the difference between news and opinion irresponsibly.

Robert Sheldon, whose email is listed as recipient for donations made to the site through PayPal, did not respond to an email and phone call from NewsGuard seeking comment on the articles cited above and the site’s approach to corrections.

WatchUncensored.com provides no information about its ownership, editorial leaders, or content creators. All articles are credited to “watch,” and no contact information is provided on the site.

The site does not run advertisements.

Sheldon, the Florida attorney whose email is listed as a recipient for donations to the site, did not respond to an email and phone call from NewsGuard seeking comment on the site’s transparency practices.

The site’s domain name was registered in May 2020.

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