

Re: Dr. Fein

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I understand your point, AW and Princess, about not giving money. These points are well taken.

My argument is about the organizations who take money from patients and doctors and say they represent them yet will not even write a letter of support for this doctor even when 3 professionals did. And with especially Fallon lending his support – as you pointed out he is a stand-out guy – what is their excuse NOT to simply write a letter? Having him and the others stand up alone does not smell right.

What does this say about other doctors who may run into trouble? What criteria do you have to meet in order for these orgs to write a note for you?

Where IS ILADS? Where is LDA?

Rita

<a_weisman@yahoo.com> wrote in message
news:1107278242.085896.19120@z14g2000cwz.googlegroups.com...

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> *Rita Stanley wrote:*

>> *Lisa, your BS isn't even brown. Examine that.*

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> *Rita remember this is a Lisa impersonator NOT Lisa. (the only thing
> worse than Lisa is someone pathological enough to impersonate her in
> this case someone posting from LDA Jersey home base, Jackson NJ).*

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> *But you're right, this BS isn't even Brown.*

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>> *I note that organizations such as ILADS and LDA profess to support
> non-IDSA*

>> *doctors, yet all I hear from these camps is silence on this issue. I*

> *am sure*

>> *they have some excuse as to why they won't write a letter of support.*

> *I am*

>> *not even talking money here. It is pathetic that only 3 professionals*

> *and*

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>> *LDF are lending their support. Of course, I do understand that Smith
> doesn't
>> get along with LDF, but a REAL leader would put aside such pettiness
> and do
>> something.*
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> *Apparently there is some negative history between the doctor and Pat
> Smith, some dispute over legislation. I don't know the details but I do
> know that one cannot question Pat Smith in any way—the pat doesn't
> permit or tolerate dissent in any form.*
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>> *I note that LDA wants to collect money through support groups now.
> So, folks
>> are supposed to raise money for this organization, yet there is
> nothing LDA
>> will do to help the doctors who have a history of helping patients?
> Fallon
>> is good enough for them in trying to gather money, yet they and ILADS
> are
>> not going to follow his lead and write a letter of support?*
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> *Fallon is a stand up guy, a guy with some real integrity. He and his
> practice are beyond reproach (though I don't think his study did much
> to help, he did his best).*

Yes, so why not follow his lead and do the same?

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>> *Who gets the support then from these organizations if they run into
> trouble
>> practicing the way these orgs approve of? What is the selection
> process?
>> ILADS can support things like OHME OHMY yet not this doctor?*
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>> *People can send money or not. That is their own business. But what I
> see
>> hear is a lack of support by organizations that should be lending it
> because
>> that is one of the reasons they exist.*
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> *I think it is fundamentally outrageous that these doctors ask other
> people to pay their legal bills period. Most people pay their own. And
> honestly it is pretty outrageous for any of these doctors to be crying
> poor given how much they charge, the fact that many don't accept
> medicare from patients who can't afford to pay and have medicare, many
> don't accept insurance period, and many actually sell vitamins and
> other products at a significant profit, in addition to their medical
> services, which is a fundamentally unethical thing to do even according
> to the self serving wimps at the AMA who condemn almost nothing that
> doctors do—they do condemn that practice. These products are passed
> along with the same unsubstantiated claims made by the manufacturers*

- > *which the doctors can't and don't do anything to substantiate those*
- > *claims but pass them along to their patients without disclosing their*
- > *profit motive but think mistakenly that the doctor is advising them in*
- > *their best medical interests, well it is a nightmare.*
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- > *But what is really outrageous is the rich doctors crying poor to the*
- > *patients many or most of whom have been terribly financially impacted*
- > *by this disease.*
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- > *Dr Burrascano at one point whined that he'd have to dip into one of his*
- > *children's college funds--well most people aren't wealthy enough to*
- > *HAVE a college fund in the first place, and most Lyme patients who ever*
- > *did long ago depleted it to pay for their doctors and the items their*
- > *doctors are selling them.*
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- > *Not all of course but too many are guilty of this.*
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- >> *I am not the only one thinking this, but I am the one kicking this*
- > *out in*
- >> *public.*
- >>
- >> *Rita*
- >
- > *And don't let psychos or psycho impersonators intimidate you, which, of*
- > *course, we know you won't.*

Intimidated by that?

Righto.

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- > *Amazing that one of the people who is MOST divisive claims to have*
- > *concerns about divisions--well when "it" says this, "it" means that no*
- > *dissent should be tolerated--just like when Bush says bipartisan he*
- > *means the dems should go along with him rather than there be any*
- > *compromise.*

The old 'divide and conquer' speil is only drug out to shut one up. The only thing that advances without argument is undeserved power.

Silence stinks. What is more democratic than questioning and critiquing? If you fear argument, then you have a position that is weak.

There is no reason why any practice done by Lyme leaders and organizations and others cannot be questioned critiqued or argued. All leadership must be evaluated especially when no one voted for anyone to represent them.

There is no 'mandate' in Lymeland or America.

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- > *And my criticisms of SOME "llmnds" are entirely valid, and if they*

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- > *avoided the pitfalls I point out, it would be easier to defend them.*
- > *But I am not and I know that you are not going to go along with the*
- > *"lmd right or wrong" attitude where "lmds" can do anything and never*
- > *be criticised. That only damages them and us and all of our*
- > *credibility.*

Absolutely.