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REIKI, DENISON, AND YOU

Hi all! Here's the TL;DR: Denison wellness has done it again; they're giving money (your tuition money) to a pyramid scheme and someone who is, effectively, claiming to be a wizard.

Earlier this month you probably got an email from wellness@denison.edu talking about all the new policies they've implemented and counselors they've hired. First off: awesome. The new counselors all look like fantastic, qualified people from diverse backgrounds. Outside of the counselors, Whistler now has a program called "glovebox" that sends "safer sex supplies and health information to Denison students." I, as a lazy person who used doordash on a weekly basis this summer, especially appreciate this!

There was one part of this email that rubbed me the wrong way: Whistler now offers Reiki and doTERRA Aromatouch as part of its wellness suite. Neither of these should be present on Denison's campus. The former is pseudoscientific nonsense, while the latter is an outright scam.

First, Reiki Reiki is, per Reiki.org, the practice of "laying on hands' and is based on the idea that an unseen `life force energy' flows through". This is, needless to say, bullshit. "Life force energy" does not exist, therefore Reiki is based on a faulty assumption about the way the human body works. No scientific studies (as of a 2011 meta-analysis by NIH) have been able to find any difference between Reiki and placebo hand motions, nor is there any formal certification for practicing Reiki. As of now, there is no evidence that Reiki works or has any appreciable effect on healing. Reiki is pseudoscience, plain and simple, and it's shameful that Denison would spend money on such a practice. As an aside, I actually have a crystal healing business I'm trying to get off the ground. I rub quartz on people's foreheads to cure their hangovers, maybe throw a little money my way Whistler? It's just as effective as Reiki!

Second, doTERRA. For those who don't know, doTERRA is a multi-level marketing scheme. Multi-level marketing firms are, in short, barely legal pyramid schemes. Your friend from high school who married their partner at 19 and now has two kids? Probably in an MLM, and has probably messaged you eight thousand times trying to get you to join with her because she gets a little kickback if you join her downline, almost like a pyramid! Getting essential oils (which aren't great things to be spending money on to begin with) from what is, functionally, a giant pyramid scheme isn't a great look, nor is it something the admin should be spending tuition money on.

Besides their organizational structure, doTERRA was warned by the FDA in 2014 after allowing distributors to claim that their products "cure autism, ebola, influenza, and cancer". Fun!

Like Reiki, doTERRA is a scam designed to suck money out of people who don't know any better. It saddens me that the Denison admin either 1. Didn't do their homework or 2. Simply don't care about evidence-based medicine (in the case of Reiki) or care about sourcing products from what is, functionally, a Ponzi scheme (in the case of doTERRA).

In short: get rid of Reiki and doTERRA. Students deserve medicine that works, and to not have their tuition money spent on pyramid schemes.

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-Paul Bass

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So far we only have one sent: Bullshit. But with one drop you'll be able to smell it all over campus!

For best results apply the oil liberally to your body with your Science GE requirement because you're clearly not using it for anything else. If you are a strong believer in essential oils, the best application method is to place a few drops around your mouth and anus, although the two are probably the same.

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-Zach Correia , Head Writer

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An open letter to onions
My dearest and most favorite of vegetables.

The cursed apple of mine eye
I love you so dearly
You are a culinary staple
You grace my kitchen with your
quiet simple beauty.

For all the love I give you, purchasing 2lb bag after 2lb bag why doth thou make me cry so?

Obscuring mine vision

Adding a not so sexy air of danger to my culinary adventures.

With Tearful Love, Slayter Box 7726 </3







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