

# Research on the Legalization of Rural Public Health under the Epidemic Prevention and Control

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**Abstract:** *The Fourth Plenary Session of the 19th Central Committee of the Communist Party of China proposed to give full play to the positive role of the rule of law in advancing the modernization of the national governance system and governance capabilities, and promote the construction of the rule of law in socialism with Chinese characteristics. For some time now, the novel coronavirus pneumonia epidemic is sweeping across the country. In the process of epidemic prevention and control, the shortcomings of the rule of law in my country's rural society have been highlighted, especially in the field of rule of law in public health, which is facing many outstanding problems, which has led to a decline in the efficiency of epidemic prevention and control and the possibility of a rebound. Based on the specific situation of the construction of the rule of law in rural public health in my country under the background of epidemic prevention and control, this article explores and analyzes many existing problems and proposes feasible suggestions through extensive rural field investigations.*

**Keywords:** *Epidemic prevention and control; legalization of public health; existing problems; feasible suggestions*

## 1. Introduction

In the context of the new era, the fundamental purpose of vigorously advancing the construction of the rule of law in society is to comprehensively advance the general goal of rule of law. At present, my country is facing a severe test of epidemic prevention and control, and there are some shortcomings in the process of advancing the construction of the rule of law. The author explores and analyzes the problems in the construction of the rule of law in the rural public health system, and puts forward feasible suggestions to solve the problems.

## 2. Prevention and control of the novel coronavirus pneumonia epidemic

At the beginning of 2020, my country was affected by the new type of coronavirus pneumonia, which spread to almost all parts of the country in just a few dozen days. The severity of the epidemic and the speed of its spread were unexpected. The party and the government formulated policies and plans for the prevention and control of the epidemic as quickly as possible. The whole country is united and united to fight the people's war and win the final victory. The occurrence and dissemination of this epidemic clearly reflects my country's shortcomings in the field of public health, and the construction of the rule of law is an important guarantee for the development of the public health system. How to do a good job in the construction of the rule of law in the field of public health in my country has been Before us. However, our country has been a large agricultural country since ancient times. The rural population still accounts for 63.78% of our total population. Rural epidemic prevention and control has a prominent position in the entire country's epidemic prevention and control. Therefore, safeguarding rural economic construction and social development and strengthening the legalization of rural public health have become an important task, which brooks no delay.<sup>[1]</sup>

## 3. Legalization of public health

Public health is a public undertaking related to the lives and health of the people of our country. It is a service to prevent major social diseases through evaluation, policy development and safeguard measures. To strengthen public health construction, especially in response to major epidemic

prevention and control, we must first improve the national emergency management functions and establish a sound social public health service system; secondly, the rule of law must be integrated into the entire process of public health construction to achieve effective supervision; and finally; To firmly grasp the serious gap in rural public health, we can all clearly realize that my country's rural economic development is relatively lagging. Only by making up for the shortcomings of rural public health construction, can the overall public health construction level of our society be qualitatively improved. The rule of law has the role of safeguarding fundamentals, stabilizing expectations, and benefiting the long-term, and is a strong support for public health construction. To strengthen the construction of rural public health, the rule of law is always indispensable.

#### **4. Outstanding problems in the legalization of rural public health in my country under epidemic prevention and control**

##### ***4.1 The rural grassroots public health system is not sound, the infrastructure is backward, and the rule of law is lacking***

In the process of the prevention and control of the new type of coronavirus pneumonia, the problem of the construction of the grassroots public health system in rural my country has become more prominent. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention, which is related to the prevention of infectious diseases, did not receive the attention it deserved before the epidemic arrived, and could not play its effective role. Neither in terms of national financial investment, structural adjustment, nor in terms of public health talents introduction system, can not meet the needs of rural public health system construction. Rural economic development is relatively lagging, public health infrastructure construction lacks sufficient funding support, and sometimes the funding chain is broken and the project is unfinished, and sometimes the "tofu dregs" facilities in the public health field are produced due to corruption of rural grassroots cadres. When faced with the big test of epidemic prevention work, the imperfect system and the backward infrastructure seemed overwhelmed.

The imperfect construction of the rule of law leads to the lack of administrative empowerment. At present, the legal system in the field of public health in our country is not perfect, and the revision and abolition of some existing laws and regulations are not timely, and they cannot cover the construction of our country's rural public health system in a comprehensive, multi-level, and wide-ranging manner, and cannot meet the timely epidemic prevention and control work. Demand restricts the legalization of rural public health.

##### ***4.2 Farmers' concept of the rule of law is very weak, restricting the legalization of rural public health***

At present, in terms of the educational level of the entire society in our country, the educational background of farmers is generally very low, and the knowledge and cultural level does not reach a relatively high level. There are many illiterate people in remote areas or older people. They don't have many concepts about the construction of public health, and they have very weak concepts about the construction of the rule of law. Since ancient times, peasants have been vulnerable to traditional feudal ideas. There has been a saying in rural my country that "starve to death without being a thief, and kill without complaining." In the prevention and control of the epidemic, the absence of public supervision of public health services will lead to the existence of various problems and the lack of a sound system.

It can be said that the modern rural society is a "human relationship" society, no matter what you do, you always find some interpersonal relationships to be at ease. The phenomenon of "human relations" in the prevention and control of epidemics in grassroots rural areas is not uncommon. Every duty station for epidemic prevention and control cannot strictly implement national policies and requirements for epidemic prevention and control because of acquaintances, and blind spots and loopholes are prone to appear. It brings huge difficulties and incompleteness to the epidemic prevention and control work. Once a serious situation occurs, the consequences can be imagined. The efforts of many people in the previous days will be wiped out. During the investigation, it was found that the farmers had no knowledge of the legal knowledge related to epidemic prevention and control. On the contrary, everyone in the countryside has a strong sense of the rule of law, strengthens their own supervision of the construction of the public health system, and can firmly support the national policy requirements in the epidemic prevention and control work, so that we can defeat the epidemic earlier. Therefore, if we want to further accelerate the construction of the rule of law in rural public health in

our country, we can't wait to improve the farmers' concept of the rule of law.

#### ***4.3 Enforcement of rural public health construction is difficult, and there is violent law enforcement***

In the process of epidemic prevention and control, due to farmers' weak concept of the rule of law and lack of awareness of the rule of law, law enforcement personnel have limited legal standards, which makes law enforcement difficult. The rural grassroots is the key area for the prevention and control of this epidemic. In order to effectively control the epidemic, public health law enforcement officers went to the village to spread relevant protection knowledge from house to house to reduce mass gathering. Some villagers did not do what they wanted. Gathering for gambling and family gatherings occurred from time to time, which seriously hindered the progress of epidemic prevention and control. Some villagers were warned for violating the requirements of prevention and control work, but the law enforcement officers did not think of repentance after they left. However, law enforcement officers also have the phenomenon of violent law enforcement, such as smashing tables and beating people. The difficulty of law enforcement in the process of rural public health construction is more prominent.

### **5. Feasible suggestions on the legalization of rural public health in my country under epidemic prevention and control**

#### ***5.1 Strengthen the legalization of rural public health and improve the public health system***

At this stage, the road to the construction of the rule of law in rural public health in my country still has a long way to go, and the most critical step is to strengthen the guarantee of the rule of law. The country needs to further improve relevant legislation in the field of public health, covering all aspects of public health construction in an all-round and three-dimensional manner. Vigorously encourage and encourage legislators, jurists, medical staff and other related fields professionals to go deep into the countryside, go deep into the grassroots to investigate the construction of public health in rural areas, study the construction of the rule of law in rural areas, and analyze the existence of them from a professional perspective Problems and promote the legalization of rural public health.

Pay attention to the prevention of infectious diseases, and improve the administrative status and voice of the disease control administrative department. The country needs to learn the profound lessons from the 2003 SARS epidemic and this new coronavirus pneumonia epidemic, do a good job in the prevention of public health, and be able to calmly respond to and resolve public health emergencies again. Infrastructure construction is an important issue that cannot be ignored in the development of any field. Strengthening and perfecting rural infrastructure construction is an urgent task at the moment, and it is the foundation for establishing and improving the rural public health system. The state must legislate to guarantee funding for public health infrastructure construction. Further use legal weapons to supervise the integrity and self-discipline of relevant personnel to provide a strong legal guarantee for the construction of rural public health.

#### ***5.2 Promote the establishment of farmers' awareness of the rule of law in public health and improve farmers' educational and cultural level***

Raise the level of farmers' cultural education, encourage qualified farmers to re-educate, and the state will provide corresponding policy subsidies to stimulate farmers' enthusiasm for learning knowledge and culture, which is conducive to advocating a social atmosphere of learning for all. With the expanded knowledge of farmers, they will have a better knowledge and understanding of epidemic prevention and control knowledge, and they will be able to do a good job in epidemic prevention work for themselves and their family through self-learning, reduce the pressure on rural grassroots cadres, and ease the country And the tense situation of social epidemic prevention and control.

With the improvement of farmers' education level, the corresponding awareness and awareness will also be improved, and they can have a deep understanding of the relevant provisions of laws and regulations, which is more conducive to the establishment of farmers' awareness of the rule of law and lays the foundation for the legal construction of rural public health in my country .

### ***5.3 Strengthen publicity on the rule of law in rural public health and create a good atmosphere for the rule of law***

At present, publicity and education of the rule of law in rural public health in our country should break through the original methods and models, and innovate the way of education and publicity under the rule of law, which is more conducive to the formation of a good atmosphere for the construction of the rule of law in public health in our rural areas. Through practical research, the degree of network in rural areas is now increasing. Nearly 70% of people are using WeChat, Douyin and other network software. We can make full use of the advantages of the network and use public platforms such as WeChat and Douyin as the basis for publicity. The active role of the government is to popularize some epidemic prevention and control laws and regulations, such as the Wildlife Protection Law, to the rural people, so that farmers can learn the laws and regulations related to rural public health, which are their public health rights and which are the public health rights they should perform. Health legal obligations. Conduct offline legal education lectures, distribute publicity posters, provide free legal service consultation, etc., use online and offline multi-faceted legalization propaganda to plug loopholes in legalization propaganda, and comprehensively enhance farmers' awareness of the rule of law in the field of public health.<sup>[2]</sup>

### ***5.4 Strengthen public health law enforcement under epidemic prevention and control, and strengthen law enforcement supervision procedures***

Under the background of epidemic prevention and control, many reasons have caused great hidden dangers in public health security. Effectively strengthening public health law enforcement can effectively ensure that the results of epidemic prevention and control are not destroyed. The grassroots public health law enforcement agencies should enforce the law impartially and strictly, and severely crack down on illegal and criminal activities such as making and selling fake products and maliciously spreading rumors in the process of epidemic prevention and control. In particular, the need for medical equipment such as masks, gloves, and protective clothing for epidemic prevention and control has led to repeated prohibitions on price hikes, which has become an obstacle to public health law enforcement. Basic-level public health law enforcement agencies need to strictly implement the requirements of the Infectious Disease Prevention and Control Law, the Wildlife Protection Law, and the Emergency Response Law, and severely investigate and deal with those who maliciously violate and sabotage. Intensify law enforcement, one occurrence, one investigation and punishment. The rural grassroots must strengthen the law enforcement supervision procedures, make the law enforcement process transparent and open, let the farmers participate in law enforcement supervision, and resolutely resist the inaction and chaos of the law enforcement agencies. It is believed that by increasing law enforcement and strengthening law enforcement supervision, social stability in the process of rural epidemic prevention and control will be guaranteed, which will play a significant role in the eventual victory of the fight against the epidemic, and will also provide impetus for the legalization of rural public health.

## **6. Conclusion**

Promoting the construction of the rule of law in the rural public health system is not only an important task in the face of the current epidemic prevention and control, but also an issue that must always be vigilant in the post-epidemic era. It is also an important content of promoting the modernization of the national governance system and governance capabilities, and it is also a promotion An important step in the comprehensive rule of law. It is necessary to deeply understand the importance of the construction of the rule of law in the field of rural public health, solve related outstanding problems, and improve favorable measures to better respond to various risks and challenges.

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