

I am a concerned parent that my rights to decide what is best for my child will be taken away. Our family has a history of auto-immune disease and it is not safe for my child to follow the CDC schedule for vaccines. I am not against vaccines but am against being forced into submission in order for my son to have access to education as a United States Citizen. The reasons listed below are just a few as to why its important that myself and all parents have the option to make a plan that is safe without being penalized or restricted access.

- This is a very powerful industry (the vaccine industry) with lots of resources to lobby and influence policy to remove parental rights to be able to delay or decline a vaccine. The industry benefits from forced use.
- It's hypocritical for doctors to try to remove a philosophical exemption for vaccine mandates for school children when The American Medical Association, in section [9.133 Routine Universal Immunization of Physicians](#) of the AMA Code of Ethics, affirm the right to both religious and philosophical exceptions for themselves to decline vaccination.
- According to the Centers for Disease Control, [this year's measles outbreak nationwide so far is only 159 cases but 2011 saw 220 cases, 2014 had 667 and last year there were 372 reported cases](#). There is no emergency.
- According to the [Oregon Health Authority 95.3% of students in K-12 in Oregon have received 2 doses of MMR Vaccine](#).
- Vaccine risks are facts, not opinions. As of November 30, 2018, there have been more than [92,844](#) reports of just measles vaccine reactions, hospitalizations, injuries and deaths following measles vaccinations made to the federal [Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System \(VAERS\)](#), including [457](#) related deaths, [6,902](#) hospitalizations, and [1,736](#) related disabilities. [Over 50%](#) of those adverse events occurred in children three years old and under.
- As of January 2, 2019, there had been [1,258](#) claims filed in the federal [Vaccine Injury Compensation Program \(VICP\)](#) for injuries and deaths following MMR vaccination, including 82 deaths and 1,176 serious injuries.

I ask you all to consider the people this bill will affect and the true risks here. Who benefits from this bill if it passes at the expense of families who just want to have the freedom to make informed and safe choices for their families needs. Lets get conversations happening where doctors can help all ranges of the spectrum rather than vaccines being the only answer. Lets explore informed consent and true risks. Its not about vaxers or non vaxers but rather families being able to make the choice that's best for their unique needs as they work individually with their doctors.

thank you for your time,

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