

My name is Ruth Martens.

I am asking you to support Senate Bill 649 for informed consent of vaccines.

Informed consent is part of the code of ethics for all medical providers.

As a Women's Health Nurse of 42 years, over 20 years as a labor and delivery nurse.

I have personally had parents inquire what is in the Hepatitis B Vaccine given at birth.

The extremely short vaccine information sheet (VIS) such as we give to new moms at the hospital is inadequate to provide fully informed consent for our families.

Parents need to be given a fully informed consent packet prior to vaccinating their child. This should include the vaccine manufacturer's package insert, the CDC vaccine excipient list, the CDC information sheet and a list of any ingredients that are on the Oregon high priority chemicals of concern for children's products list. This packet also needs to include information regarding medical and nonmedical exemptions to vaccination requirements.

I am asking you to place this information on the Oregon Health Authority webpage for easy access by medical providers administering vaccines.

Thank you.