

In 1947, my uncle received the pertussis vaccine. He immediately went into convulsions and seizures and suffered irreversible brain damage. He was diagnosed with Mental Retardation.

In 1971, my father joined the Marine Corp. Within hours of his arrival, he received a round of adjuvanted vaccines for Adenoviruses 3,4, and 7. Within minutes he hit the ground and woke up in the infirmary alongside 50 other military trainees who suffered similar or worse reactions.

In 1976, upon receiving the Rubella vaccine, my brother suffered anaphylaxis shock and was diagnosed with encephalitis. Six months later, he diagnosed with we now know to be isolated Autism.

My grandmother, mother, and I have multiple diagnoses of Auto-Immune disease.

Given our family history, my son's pediatrician advises against vaccinating my child. Despite my family history, the Oregon Health Authority does not agree with this opinion. As proposed, HB 3063 will not allow me to follow my doctor's advice and keep my child enrolled in school.

As a mother, I will not knowingly risk my child's life. I, along with many others, will homeschool my child. I will sacrifice my career so that I can protect my child. If passed, HB 3063 will yank career women out of workplace equality to return home, setting us back 70 years.

The AMA has revised and updated their Code of Ethics. However, the provision recognizing a doctor's right to decline immunizations based on religious or philosophical reasons still exists unchanged and has been renumbered Opinion No. 8.7

They give themselves both religious and philosophical exemptions:

"8.7 Routine Universal Immunization of Physicians

As professionals committed to promoting the welfare of individual patients and the health of the public and to safeguarding their own and their colleagues' well-being, physicians have an ethical responsibility to take appropriate measures to prevent the spread of infectious disease in health care settings. Conscientious participation in routine infection control practices, such as hand washing and respiratory precautions, is a basic expectation of the profession. In some situations, however, routine infection control is not sufficient to protect the interests of patients, the public, and fellow health care workers.

In the context of a highly transmissible disease that poses significant medical risk for vulnerable patients or colleagues or threatens the availability of the health care workforce, particularly a disease that has potential to become epidemic or pandemic, and for which there is an available, safe, and effective vaccine, physicians should:

(a) Accept immunization absent a recognized medical, religious, or philosophic reason to not be immunized.

(b) Accept a decision of the medical staff leadership or health care institution, or other appropriate authority to adjust practice activities if not immunized (e.g., wear masks or refrain from direct patient

care). It may be appropriate in some circumstances to inform patients about immunization status."

The ultimate of hypocrisy. Recognizing their own right to claim exemptions yet seeking to eliminate those exemptions for all schoolchildren. I implore you to examine the moral code and ethics of this revision.

As a mother, a career woman, tax payer, and registered voter,
I ask that you oppose HB 3063.

Sincerely,
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