

The following email messages and letters were submitted by members of the public prior to, and at the October 1, 2019 Marathon County Board of Health meeting.

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Eileen Eckardt](#); [Joan Theurer](#)
Subject: Fw:

From: Linda Rice <ricearoni.rice@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 25, 2019 7:26 AM
To: John Robinson
Subject:

I oppose removing the personal exemption for vaccine choice.

I support the freedom to choose healthcare modalities without government intervention.

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: 2019 ASSEMBLY BILL 248
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 5:03:57 PM

From: Jen Faust <jennifer.k.faust@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 9:18 PM
To: John Robinson
Subject: 2019 ASSEMBLY BILL 248

Dear John,

Please consider NOT supporting the proposed AB 248. This bill is an intrusion and disrespect to people and families who are doing their due diligence by thoroughly reading the mountains of information available (albeit recently heavily censored) of the biased and slanted science of vaccine efficacy and subsequently making an informed decision for themselves.

There is not one study showing that the current childhood vaccine schedule is safe and effective. Instead, we are living during the greatest decline in public health in history and children have to live with chronic, life-long health conditions.

Some are wary of maintaining a certain percentage of vaccination status in order to create a herd immunity. If one does further reading, one will find that vaccinated herd immunity is based on a theory of natural immunity and has never been proven to exist.

Both of my children were harmed by vaccines, and one now lives with life-threatening disease after I was shamed into vaccination by his doctor after hesitation.

People should absolutely have the right to send their children to public school with a personal conviction exemption, as they're capable enough of comprehending information after seeking it out on their own. Should the personal conviction exemption not exist, it is a possibility that my family wouldn't be able to obtain a medical exemption for my child - it would be impossible to obtain in California at this point, for example.

Please do not support this bill. As a parent who wants nothing more than for my children to be as healthy as possible in this world, we don't need a government bill to take away that right.

You might find this informational letter helpful: <http://denverpolitics.org/philosophical-exemptions-as-behavioral-economic-signals-of-fraud/?fbclid=IwAR3eEmVYW3Faxy4hXyfVrgBpz1eB7P1ZfigMmlejYWNmwG3-DuRGYevNHzQ>

Kindest Regards,
Jen Faust
Wausau

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: about resolution
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 5:02:35 PM

From: Myra Westberg <myrawestberg@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 10:50 PM
To: John Robinson
Subject: Fw: about resolution

<https://vaccineimpact.com/2016/us-vax-court-sees-400-spike-in-vaccine-injuries-flu-shot-wins-top-honors-for-biggest-payout/?fbclid=IwAR3UDgnBwrWC99q3onPePOy1il0pyS4WT9iU6CnIMRtg4pbwcTvWoAZ-jwk>

From: Myra Westberg
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 8:16 PM
To: john.robinson@co.marathon.wi.us <john.robinson@co.marathon.wi.us>
Subject: about resolution

Dear Mr. Robinson,

I do not support the resolution to support removal of personal conviction vaccine exemptions. The decision should be between a family and their dr. Vaccines are liability free products. They can and do cause injury and death.

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Eileen Eckardt](#); [Joan Theurer](#)
Subject: Fw: Board Meeting October 1

From: Christine Schlichte <cdschlichte@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 6:09 PM
To: Jim Schaefer; John Robinson; Sandi Cihlar; Mary Ann Crosby
Subject: Board Meeting October 1

I am writing to express my concern over a topic that is on schedule to be discussed Tuesday morning - whether to support the Wisconsin State Legislature personal conviction vaccine exemption.

No matter your stance on vaccines, nobody should want this right taken away. To open the door for the government to mandate what we have to put in our bodies, or else, is a very scary option and goes against SO much of what our country was founded on.

Vaccines come with risks that can and do cause injury, and for someone to argue this point only means they have not looked into and researched both sides of this topic. I have seen the injury up front and personal with our grandson. With each set of vaccinations, he slowly regressed and became less interactive with family, to the point of not talking; fevers off and on for weeks, and numerous trips into the walk-in to try and determine what was going on. Thankfully, our daughter stopped the vaccinations after becoming aware of vaccine injuries, and after implementing a long protocol with supplements and diet changes, our grandson is better today, but there are still ramifications from his injury.

Today's vaccination schedule has never been tested for cumulative safety. And, vaccines are liability free pharmaceutical products. So, families whose children have been injured by these vaccines have absolutely no recourse! And it's the children who suffer.

Does this happen to every child? No, but it DOES happen. The choice to vaccinate needs to remain within the parents hands. The parents who choose to vaccinate shouldn't worry about those who do not because their child is protected by the vaccine.

Please do not move forward in supporting this legislation. We need to stop this trend now before we lose more of our freedoms.

Thank you for your time,

Christine Schlichte
6322 Tranquil River Ln
Wausau WI 54401

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Board meeting of elimination of Personal Conviction Waivers for School Immunizations

Another email

John

From: Heidi Dorn <heidid40@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 25, 2019 3:57 PM
To: John Robinson
Subject: Board meeting of elimination of Personal Conviction Waivers for School Immunizations

Hello John Robinson,

It is not about ProVax, AntiVax, or ExVax. It's about Civil Rights, Human Rights. There is not one medication out there in the world that is good for everyone. Some people have allergies, some have genetic mutations like MTHFR, some have kidney issues where they can't process certain medications or vaccinations. Vaccinations are NOT a one size fits all product. Where there is a risk there must be a choice! This isn't JUST about vaccinations it's about informed consent and medical freedom.

Instead of trying to take away citizen's rights to be able to choose if they want to vaccinate themselves or their children we need to repeal legal immunity from vaccine manufactures so they will once again be held accountable for the injuries and deaths caused by their products.

I URGE you to vote against this resolutions and I urge you to stand by parental rights.

Thank you,
Heidi Dorn
De Pere, WI

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: Board of Health Meeting 10/1/19
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 5:05:34 PM

From: Alex Hartinger <alex.hartinger@symmetrynaturalhealth.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 3:03 PM
To: John Robinson
Subject: Board of Health Meeting 10/1/19

Hi John,

My name is Alex Hartinger and I plan to attend the meeting tomorrow morning and I'm specifically interested in the topic of the philosophical exemptions for school vaccinations. My dad has had some email correspondence with you and I see that we will have three minutes to speak. I just wanted to shoot an email out to you and hope that you can pass it on as I'm sure tomorrow will be busy.

My son was vaccine injured as an infant and although his pediatrician agreed with our decision to stop further vaccines and she supported us in finding natural alternatives to help him, his injury was never officially acknowledged by the medical profession and so we use the philosophical exemption for him and his brother to attend school.

I have a large network of people in this area who have similar concerns, especially over the aggressive amount of vaccines in the childhood schedule and the number of vaccines in the pipeline. I am expressing my interest in Marathon County allowing us to continue to have the same rights that we have always had. The people who question vaccines are doing so out of genuine concern and in many cases, personal experience with adverse reactions. We would like to keep our freedom to question. The current schedule has never been tested for cumulative safety and the vaccine manufacturers are exempt from liability for their products. There is a taxpayer funded "Vaccine Court" that has paid out over \$4Billion in vaccine injury cases and that number is growing as quickly as court cases are scheduled.

I am not assuming that you agree or disagree with the removal of the exemption, and as such, I am happy to share any and all information with you on this topic to make an informed decision as I have been researching it for 7 years now. I just really appreciate that you have read this and are open to hearing from the community on this issue.

I really appreciate your time and look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

Respectfully,

Alex Hartinger

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From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Eileen Eckardt](#); [Joan Theurer](#)
Subject: Fw: Board of Health Plan Work
Attachments: [13 Reasons Why You Should Question.docx](#)

From: Rob Brayton <rob.dynamic.audio@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 7:15 AM
Subject: Board of Health Plan Work

Hello,

Thank you in advance for reviewing my questions and information below. As a member of the board I am sure you receive a lot of emails to read through so I appreciate you taking time to read this. I have simplified my concerns below to help be respectful of your time.

Recently there has been a tremendous movement of fear running seemingly all over the US and now our fine state regarding measles and other diseases. Some groups including some of those in our own state department of Health & Human Services (HHS) are using these situations to perpetuate that fear and make a push to remove exemptions, starting with personal for vaccination.

While many see this as a health based issue it is way beyond that. I would like to challenge you to think critically about this for a moment. If the government now declares that I cannot choose what gets injected or put into my body, *am I still free?* The answer is no. If I as an individual cannot make the determination of what goes into my own body medically or otherwise I am now a slave to whomever is making these decisions. I think that any free thinking person in the US would come to the determination that such a loss significantly infringes and removes personal liberty.

Beyond the constitutional and philosophical argument that can be made about removing personal exemptions on vaccines or other health treatments, there is also science and facts that show such a radical move is completely unnecessary and unfounded. Here are a few points for you to consider and review and I have sourced most of them for you for easy research.

- The current vaccination schedule has not been scientifically tested to be safe. Currently there are over 72 vaccines (and more planned) that a child born today (Birth -18) will be subject to. In 1983 there were just 14 total over the same time span. Are we inherently healthier today?? Even now we are not seeing inherently fewer cases of disease of any type, and in fact we have seen a rise in our types of disorders in children since that time. https://lookaside.fbsbx.com/file/Learn%20the%20Risk%20Vaccine%20Doses%20for%20US%20Children.pdf?token=AWwb63lVkbwhimuQFkUjVsQc0z4K9goXoixSM6xwNXAusYKKWk2jEHJ86SGY0DSo4e1W3C3hQ7RxOaB_LKpl0aLRjp1Y2T1Wjgl2jNKi-Y7D76VwRY9RyZhtFFyOaKzZxrxU0TH--Td5GIPvHCBd1lcAq0ZHwRueF1XV2lZLlccMQ
- In removing any exemptions, who is determining the vaccine schedule? Who is testing and policing that schedule for efficacy, safety? The CDC is NOT doing this today (the CDC holds patents on vaccines, nor are vaccines subjected to placebo controlled double blind research) so who is going to ensure that none of these vaccines are being introduced simply for profit?
- Looking at our state in particular, the disease rates are very low in general hardly making such a significant power grab at personal liberty necessary: https://lookaside.fbsbx.com/file/20%20Talking%20Points%20%281%29.pdf?token=AWyjtW1zBniwu7KhIXYbF4DR8xVpfrxaiUDbHnFlg3EbAgGbwoldlWScfacj2WHq6mlXz9axT8ciOO8eON9mXxANQ_wYz-rpNZnk_9B3uD1CSe3dYIXQu7E4c6aT89ptDZyhczpZGYGYRO-hY8Rr1wzFtPWAengez_fcYTFRgXFajpw
- Vaccines receive credit in many cases when they should not. Please review the graph below for proof. The data used for the graph comes from the CDC itself. Note closely how the death rate from measles was declining rapidly well before the vaccine was introduced in 1963. In fact based upon the trajectory, it could be assumed without the vaccine that it would have continued on the same rate of decline. Indoor plumbing, public sanitation and other improvements in general cleanliness should get the credit here rather than the vaccine itself. If the vaccine was so effective, why would these rates decline so rapidly in a 30 year span BEFORE the vaccine was introduced. https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/c/c6/Measles_cases_graph.svg

To close I strongly urge you to not allow a resolution to remove personal exemption at the county level at a minimum (state or federal for that matter). Please take time to think about the kind of power that the county is insinuating by doing such a thing. It is NO government's place to remove basic human rights and freedoms.

Please stand for freedom and vote this resolution down.

Respectfully,

Rob Brayton
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From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: Exemption removal
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 5:00:13 PM

From: Katrina Rouse <rousekatrina@hotmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 6:55 AM

To: Katie Rosenberg; Romey Wagner; David.nutting@co.marathon.wi.us; John Robinson; Ka Lo; Jeff Johnson; Mary Ann Crosby; Donna Krause; Alyson Leahy; Arnold Schlei; Matthew.bootz@co.marathon.wi.us; Rick Seefeldt; Randy Fifrick; Jeffrey Zriny; Edward Stark; Craig McEwen; Yee Leng Xiong; Sara Guild; Loren White; Alan Christensen; Chris Voll; Jean Maszk; Sandy.cihlar@co.marathon.wi.us; John Durham; Thomas Seubert; Maynard Tremelling; Jim Bove; Richard Gumz; Allen.drabeck@co.marathon.wi.us; Kurt Gibbs; Tim Buttke; Gary Beastrom; Jacob Langenhahn; Bill Miller; Allen Opall; Jim Schaefer

Subject: Exemption removal

Dear all representatives. My name is Katrina Rouse I reside at 2461 Cedar Dr. in Plover and I oppose the vaccine exemption removal. The reason for that being there has not been a safety test done in over 30 years. In 1986 the childhood vaccination act passed to end the manufactures liability because it was harming so many individuals. On every vaccine insert in section 13.1 it says not been tested for carcinogenic, mutagenesis, or infertility. Until we know if vaccinations do not cause these issues we should not be removing exemptions when there is risk there must be choice.

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Exemption Resolution

From: Dana Garner <danajean.garner@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 12:35 PM
To: John Robinson
Subject: Exemption Resolution

As a resident in your neighboring county, I strongly believe that it is in the interest of your constituents to vote against the removal of vaccination exemptions. I see this matter impending on our civil rights and freedoms beyond anything else. If we cannot make medical choices for our families than where will the political decisions made in our homes cease?

As parents it is our biggest responsibility to look at all the evidence presented make a decision that best suits our children and family as a whole. This bill is a one size fits all and does not complement the biodiversity of the community. If the health and safety are your priority for the community members, as it is my priority for my family, I please urge you to press for the safety and liability for these vaccine manufacturing companies to truly keep our safety in sight.

Thankyou for your time and consideration on this matter,
Dana Garner

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: i oppose mandatory vaccinations
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 5:20:44 PM

From: Lisa Kroening <lkroening1@new.rr.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 3:32 PM
To: John Robinson
Subject: i oppose mandatory vaccinations

NO one should EVER be forced to take any vaccines. Vaccines contain very toxic ingredients and they are not a one size fits all for everyone. My daughter was affected by Vaccines as a young child so she is living proof that vaccines ARE NOT always safe. Vaers has paid out over 4 billion dollars to families with vaccine damaged or dead children, this should tell anyone that vaccines are not safe for everyone. If you are interested in learning more about vaccines please read the inserts. The ingredients will baffle you and make anyone with common sense wonder how so many toxic ingredients could be safe for a baby or prevent any disease. Did you know that some vaccines are produced from aborted fetal cells? (diploid fibroblast cells) The most common thing we hear today from the pro vaccine crowd is that "we must trust the experts" The so called experts on vaccines have an agenda and when the vaccine corporations are making billions a year in profits, do you think they will EVER admit to any dangers?

Please use your common sense and VOTE NO when it comes to ANY mandatory vaccines.

No one should ever be forced to inject anything into their body ever! When a penis enters a woman's body unwillingly THIS IS RAPE. Mandatory vaccinations are TYRANNICAL.

Lisa Kroening
Freedom, WI



Virus-free. www.avg.com

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: In regards to Wisconsin's vaccination policy
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 5:04:16 PM

From: Megan Buczek <brians4life@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 10:47 PM
Subject: In regards to Wisconsin's vaccination policy

Dear Board Member,

It's imperative that every member of the board understands why some people rely on personal conviction exemptions from vaccines. My husband has 2 rare blood disorders. We have yet to find a physician who's knowledgeable with his disorders and understands how the 2 conditions interact with each other. Both of his disorders are genetic and are more likely to be passed on to boys. We have 3 children together, all boys.

Our sons also have several indicators of a specific gene mutation, MTHFR, which makes it difficult for their bodies to detox heavy metals, such as the aluminum adjuvants used in vaccines. Through years of research, we've found that each of these conditions could increase their risk of experiencing adverse reactions to vaccines. Our boys could potentially carry all 3 of these genetic conditions. Insurance does not cover the testing for any of these conditions so even if we found a knowledgeable doctor, we would have to cover everything out of pocket.

Many of our concerns with vaccines are medical in nature. Most doctors, including ours, won't provide medical exemptions unless the child has already suffered a severe reaction to a vaccine and even then, the exemption is for that specific child and not their siblings. There is not enough knowledge around every diagnosis and even less around the more rare ones, for a physician to determine if vaccines would be safe in these unique instances. The options for my children are to take our chances with possibly contracting a mostly benign virus like chicken pox, or knowingly inject each of my sons with 50 plus injections which contain a substance that could be genetically lethal.

I oppose the drafting of any resolutions in favor of removing exemptions from vaccines. Parents who choose to opt out of vaccinations have not made their decision lightly. Additionally, the community is told to vaccinate in order to protect the medically fragile, but even severely immune compromised children, do not qualify for medical exemptions from non-live-strain vaccines and are recommended to be vaccinated by the CDC guidelines. Should the masses be forced into a medical procedure in order to protect the 1% who qualify for medical exemptions? I have seen this same type of legislation be passed in other states. The people are always promised that religious and medical exemptions will remain, but once the personal exemption is removed, religious exemptions quickly follow. Some states have even begun restricting medical exemptions! Where will it end? Government mandated birth control? Microchips for the "greater good"? Where there is risk, there must be choice!

Regards,

Megan B.

"If you believe in vaccination for "the greater good", you should celebrate the sacrifices made by the vaccine injured and their families - not castigate or dismiss them. If the risk is for the "greater good", where are the celebrations of the heroes who bore the risk? Nowhere." - James Lyons-Weiler, PhD

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Eileen Eckardt](#); [Joan Theurer](#)
Subject: Fw: Letter of Concern

From: Rebecca Beringer <rkkberinger@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 9:26 AM
To: Katie Rosenberg; Romey Wagner; David.nutting@co.marathon.wi.us; John Robinson; Ka Lo; Jeff Johnson; Mary Ann Crosby; Donna Krause; Alyson Leahy; Arnold Schlei; Matthew.bootz@co.marathon.wi.us; Rick Seefeldt; Randy Fifrick; Jeffrey Zriny; Edward Stark; Craig McEwen; Yee Leng Xiong; Sara Guild; Loren White; Alan Christensen; Chris Voll; Jean Maszk; Sandy.cihlar@co.marathon.wi.us; John Durham; Thomas Seubert; Maynard Tremelling; Jim Bove; Richard Gumz; Allen.drabeck@co.marathon.wi.us; Kurt Gibbs; Tim Buttke; Gary Beastrom; Jacob Langenhahn; Bill Miller; Allen Opall; Jim Schaefer
Subject: Letter of Concern

Dear Honorable Members of the Marathon County Board of Directors,

I am writing to you because I am unable to attend the board meeting on Tuesday to voice my concerns in person. I am STRONGLY OPPOSED TO A VOTE for the county to support legislation to remove the personal exemption waiver from vaccination to attend public schools.

I strongly oppose this proposal for the following reasons:

- 1) This issue has never been presented to the voters of Marathon County and their voices have not been heard on this issue.
- 2) While presented as a public health issue, we have to remember that Vaccines are a liability free pharmaceutical product. Reactions are a very real occurrence, which is why the side effects are clearly stated in the vaccine inserts. The current vaccine schedule in its entirety has never been tested for safety.
- 3) This issue has already been brought before the State Legislature who refused to take it up in the last session.
- 4) Watching this debacle play out in New York and California has been shocking. First the personal exemption was removed and then immediately the legislators went after medical exemptions. Opening the door to government coercion of personal medical choices is a very slippery slope.

5) I am very concerned with resources being taken away from public schools. In New York and California, homeschooling numbers have risen as parents have opted medical freedom over sending their children to public school. This threatens our already fragile schools with yet another issue to be tackled and money diverted away from where it really matters.

6) Vaccination rates in Marathon County, as published by the CDC are right around 90%. There is no reason to push further to railroad this divisive legislation.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter as I urge you to vote no on this proposal.

Sincerely
Rebecca Beringer

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From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: Letter regarding 10/1 Board of Health Meeting
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 5:01:52 PM

From: Autumn Nordall <autumn.nordall@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 10:54 PM
Subject: Letter regarding 10/1 Board of Health Meeting

I am writing you today to express that I do NOT support any resolution that will remove the personal conviction vaccine exemption.

Many people are unaware that vaccines are liability free pharmaceutical products. Vaccine manufacturers are not able to be sued for ANY vaccine on the childhood vaccine schedule if they cause harm due to the 1986 National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act. Vaccines, along with all pharmaceutical products, come with risks that CAN and DO cause injury and death. Since 1988 the National Vaccine Compensation Program has paid over \$4 billion for vaccine injuries.

The ever-growing vaccine schedule has also NEVER been tested for cumulative safety. As a person who has had her fair share of visits to the hospitals due to a motor vehicle accident due to black ice I can say that with every procedure I've had done I have been told risks and benefits, even ones as scary as death. Why is this not the case for vaccines? There are potential risks and benefits associated with any medical intervention and vaccines are no exception.

Where there is risk there must also be choice. I am asking you to defend our medical freedoms and vote against the proposal of removing the personal conviction vaccine exemption.

I personally am not pro- or anti- vaccination, but I most certainly am PRO-MEDICAL FREEDOM. This is a very slippery slope to lose more rights over our bodily autonomy based on what the government believes to be "best" for my family. The proposition of this bill is unconstitutional.

I would appreciate a personal response to this email. I apologize that I will be unable to attend the meeting tomorrow morning. Thank you so much for your time!

Warmest Regards,

Autumn Nordall

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Eileen Eckardt](#); [Joan Theurer](#)
Subject: Fw: Merits of removing personal exemption

From: Karin Nye <karinnye1967@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 2:03 PM
To: katie.rosenbery@co.marathon.wi.us
Subject: Merits of removing personal exemption

Dear Marathon County Board Members,

I would like to share my opposition to moving forward with a proposal to remove personal exemptions. Any decision regarding a medical treatment, including vaccines should be left between an individual and their medical providers. We are seeing a deeply concerning rapid increase of autoimmune conditions, allergies, obesity, heart disease, opioid addiction and cancer. These are the issues that are most concerning to me. Having worked for my county at one time in the WIC program as nutritionist I deeply appreciate all you do for the members of your community.

I appreciate you taking time to read this email opposing moving forward with a resolution to remove any exemptions.

Sincerely and Respectfully,
Karin Nye Wisconsin Resident

Sent from my iPad

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Oct 1st Meeting regarding resolution to remove philosophical exemption for delaying or foregoing immunizations

From: Kari Pagel <kariandjoelpagel@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 11:05 AM

To: Dave Nutting; Matt Bootz; Allen Drabek; Sandi Cihlar; Katie Rosenberg; Romey Wagner; David.nutting@co.marathon.wi.us; John Robinson; Ka Lo; Jeff Johnson; Mary Ann Crosby; Donna Krause; Alyson Leahy; Arnold Schlei; Matthew.bootz@co.marathon.wi.us; Rick Seefeldt; Randy Fifrick; Jeffrey Zriny; Edward Stark; Craig McEwen; Yee Leng Xiong; Sara Guild; Loren White; Alan Christensen; Chris Voll; Jean Maszk; Sandy.cihlar@co.marathon.wi.us; John Durham; Thomas Seubert; Maynard Tremelling; Jim Bove; Richard Gumz; Allen.drabeck@co.marathon.wi.us; Kurt Gibbs; Tim Buttke; Gary Beastrom; Jacob Langenhahn; Bill Miller; Allen Opall; Jim Schaefer

Subject: Oct 1st Meeting regarding resolution to remove philosophical exemption for delaying or foregoing immunizations

Dear Board Members,

My name is Kari Pagel and I am writing you pleading you vote NO on passing a resolution in Marathon County that supports removing the philosophical exemption in our state. I am a mother of 3 children and a therapist of special needs students in a public school. I see first hand how this exemption is used by families who choose to delay the aggressive vaccine schedule or forego one or more vaccines that have caused harm to their family or the child. This is a decision that should be left up to the parent who works with their doctor. This is not a decision that should be left to the government to make. Will the government be liable for an injured child from a vaccine? No! Will the pharmaceutical companies be liable for the injuries? No! It lands on the parent. We cannot allow for parents to be coerced/forced into giving their child medical procedures that carry risk in order to attend school. It is wrong and dangerous.

I think along the way you may have heard that this exemption doesn't matter, that it is abused, or used by lazy parents who don't want to take care of their kids. That cannot be farther from the truth. This exemption is important to me and a lot of parents I know and work with. They are good people who have made the decision to use this exemption for very specific, well thought out reasons. Please vote no and preserve parental rights and medical freedom in this great state.

Thank you,

Kari

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: October

From: Kristin Zunker <kristinzunker@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 11:05 AM
To: John Robinson
Subject: October

I am under the impression that the board will be discussing the topic of vaccine exemptions.

As a mother and someone that works in the medical field, I have major concerns with the possibility of personal exemptions from vaccines no longer being an option.

There are documented side effects, including death, as a result of vaccinations.

Vaccination manufactures are not liable for their vaccines causing any side effects, injuries or death.

There is often not more than one company that manufactures each vaccine leaving no competitor or pressure to ensure a top of the line product.

There are not sufficient studies to support the necessity of vaccination.

Herd immunity does not exist. Many individuals that were recently diagnosed with measles, were those of which have been vaccinated, but the vaccination no longer worked.

Some debate that all should be immunized to protect those with immune deficiency and the elderly. However, something as simple as the common cold, which we have no vaccine for, is just as dangerous.

The US combines multiple vaccinations in one for convenience and this does not allow the option to have a single vaccine.

If vaccinated people truly believe they work, what is the fear in exposure to an unvaccinated person?

Deciding what we do to our bodies, is our right. This is about civil rights and medical freedom. It is not the governments role to dictate what injections people get.

To force humans to be injected with something that has documented risks is absolutely wrong.

I do not wish to have my healthy body or my healthy baby injected with anything that is not 100 percent effective and proven with no risks.

I truly believe that the risk of a negative side effect from vaccines is much greater than actually contracting the disease.

I personally know of someone who had a healthy normally developed 6 month old who mysteriously died two days after receiving vaccinations. The doctors verbally told her that it was likely due to the vaccines but they were not allowed to document that.

I also personally know of someone who had a happy, healthy normally developed 2 year old who soon no longer spoke, made eye contact or showed affection after receiving vaccinations.

The problem with evidence of vaccine injuries is that multiple physicians have admitted that they cannot document it.

One physician resigned and came out about the negative side effects of the HPV vaccine that she was not allowed to report because she couldn't sleep at night knowing what she knew.

Please consider this when discussing vaccine exemptions.

Kristin Weltzin

From: [Joan Theurer](#)
To: [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Cc: [Eileen Eckardt](#); [Rebecca Mroczenski](#)
Subject: FW: Oppose Resolution to Support Personal Conviction Waiver Removal
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 11:56:54 AM

FYI, Joan

From: John Robinson
Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 7:27 AM
To: Joan Theurer <Joan.Theurer@co.marathon.wi.us>; eileen.eckert@co.marathon.wi.us
Subject: Fwd: Oppose Resolution to Support Personal Conviction Waiver Removal

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jamie Prosser <jamienprosser@gmail.com>
Date: October 1, 2019 at 7:11:14 AM CDT
To: undisclosed-recipients;;
Subject: Oppose Resolution to Support Personal Conviction Waiver Removal

Hello Marathon County,

My name is Jamie Bernander, a mother of three young children, small business owner, and proud Wisconsin resident.

I ask that you please oppose the resolution related to legislation: AB248 and SB 262 in our state legislature that effectively helps to remove a parent's right-to-choose healthcare for their own children.

Many parents who use the personal conviction waiver are indeed not opting out of all required vaccinations. Most with whom I have spoken use it to opt out of the Hepatitis B vaccine - a vaccine targeting a blood-borne pathogen which is most frequently spread by engaging in risky behaviors such as illegal IV drug use and prostitution. Activities which do not occur in school settings. Some parents opt to use the personal exemption for the chickenpox vaccine - because they feel the chickenpox illness is exceedingly mild and that potential side effects from the vaccine are more harmful than the vaccine itself. Some parents opt to use the personal exemption for remaining doses of DTaP or MMR after witnessing a vaccine reaction after the first dose of one of these vaccine trios.

We do not know if our Wisconsin legislature will one day vote to add more vaccines to the ever-growing required schedule of shots for school entry. We rely on this personal conviction waiver to maintain our right to opt out of any future vaccines that we weigh individually the risk/benefit ratio as it applies to our families.

We ask that you respect our rights as parents to make healthcare decisions that we believe - that we KNOW - are the best for our own individual families and do not show support for this resolution.

Thank you for your time,

Jamie Bernander
jamienprosser@gmail.com
(608) 844-9648

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Opposition on Resolution to Eliminate our Personal Exemptions

From: Kari Bern <karilynn.bern@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 1:45 PM
Subject: Opposition on Resolution to Eliminate our Personal Exemptions

Hello!

My name is Kari Bern, and I am writing to speak out against the resolution to remove our personal exemptions for vaccines. I am a mother to 2 young children and am not willing to risk losing my rights as a parent to make what I believe is the best decisions for the well being of my children. This resolution is truly not about who vaccinates or doesn't vaccinate it's about losing our rights as parents. I know my children way better than the government does. My oldest had a reaction to her 4 month vaccines, which wasn't enough for a medical exemption fortunately but unfortunately, so if this would pass at the state level we would have no choice but to vaccinate her and her brother?? I suggest you look into the statistics on the VAERS reporting, which truly isn't even a good representation of the vaccine injuries in the U.S. since most go unreported. Why in the world would we try to get rid of exemptions on something which the makers of have absolutely no liability for when there is a negative reaction? Also, there has NEVER been a true test with an inert placebo on any of these vaccines on the childhood vaccine schedule. Not only that but the schedule itself has never been tested to be safe in the amount given at one time. I urge you to read this article stating how unsafe the vaccine schedule truly is according to VAERS data, <https://www.jpands.org/vol21no2/miller.pdf>.

Also, I know the push on this resolution is public health. I also urge you to look into when the concept of herd immunity came out and the fact that herd immunity does not apply to fake immunity through vaccines. Actually the Whooping Cough manufacturer has stated that herd immunity does not apply to this vaccine. Which in all reality it doesn't apply to any of them. If it's been more than 10 years since your last MMR shot you are more than likely not immune to measles anymore. Which means we should all be getting measles then. Herd immunity is truly a inaccurate concept. Herd immunity applied when we were actually getting these illnesses, like measles.

I also urge you to read this article on the dangers of eliminating our exemptions. <https://www.icandecide.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Publications-Regarding-Vaccine-Safety-1.pdf>

In my mind anything that has a risk, there should be a choice. So I urge you to please vote no on this resolution to remove our personal exemptions! Stand up for our rights as citizens of the United States. It is truly unconstitutional to force a medical procedure on anyone. I would also be happy to discuss this further over the phone if you would like further information or have any concerns. I appreciate your time!

Thank you,

Kari Bern

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Opposition to resolution to support the removal of the personal conviction vaccine exemption
Attachments: [Marathon Board Email.pdf](#)

From: Tara Czachor <tara.czachor@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 5:10 PM
Subject: Opposition to resolution to support the removal of the personal conviction vaccine exemption

Good evening,

Attached is my letter imploring you to oppose any resolution that may come before you with regards to removing the personal conviction vaccine exemption for Wisconsin children in schools and day cares.

The legislation sitting in the state legislature right now to remove the personal conviction exemption to vaccination for entry into school and daycare concerns many Wisconsinites. Additionally it is concerning to see that the rule change proposals by the Department of Health Services will increase the number of required vaccines for school entry in Wisconsin. What is the role of government in the healthcare decisions of individuals and families? Should governmental agencies be able to infringe upon a parent's right of conscience? Speaking of right of conscience - are we no longer a society that takes seriously the autonomy of individual persons, particularly as it pertains to bodily integrity, freedom of conscience and right to informed consent to medical risk taking? Does a one-sized-fits-all vaccination schedule truly accommodate every unique child?

Thank you for your time! I would be happy to discuss this issue with you further, and provide some history on why Wisconsin has the three vaccine exemptions we currently have.

Respectfully,

Tara Czachor

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Opposition to supporting a resolution to support the removal of the personal conviction vaccine exemption
Attachments: [Marathon BOH.pdf](#)

Joan and Eileen

There are approximately 20 emails relating to the personal exemption resolution. I will be sending them individually.

John

From: Tara Czachor <tara.czachor@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, September 27, 2019 9:26 AM
To: John Robinson
Cc: Mary Ann Crosby; Sandi Cihlar
Subject: Opposition to supporting a resolution to support the removal of the personal conviction vaccine exemption

Good morning,

Attached you will find my letter imploring you to please **OPPOSE** a resolution to support AB 248/SB 262 to remove Wisconsin's personal conviction vaccine exemption for school and day care.

I would be happy to discuss this issue further with you at the contact information listed below.

I also request that my opposition be forwarded to the other Board of Health Members, as some of their email addresses were not listed.

Thank you,

Tara Czachor
920-242-0919

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: Personal Conviction Exemption
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 4:51:02 PM

From: Kari Mattioli <k.mattioli@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 2:05 PM
Subject: Personal Conviction Exemption

To whom it may concern,

I ask you to support fully informed consent and individual rights to refuse vaccination. Please vote NO to the resolution to take away personal conviction exemptions and leave the decision to the parent and health care professionals.

Vaccines are liability free pharmaceutical products and forcing liability free pharmaceutical products in exchange for a child's right to an education is a form of coercion. Parents should not feel pressured into any medical procedure from a liability free pharmaceutical.

Vaccines are also not a one-size-fits-all product, just like any other medical procedure, product or pharmaceutical. Some individuals are more susceptible to vaccine injury than others. There are risks, with the most extreme being death, associated and documented, and this decision should be exclusively decided between the parent and their health care professional. Where there is a risk, there MUST be a choice.

Lastly, vaccines are not being tested in combination that they are given. The current schedule has multiple vaccinations given at the same time and this is very concerning as a parent. Vaccines should be subjected to the same rigorous approval process as other drugs and ALL vaccine adverse events should be mandatory reported to VAERS and VSD databases.

Sincerely,
Kari Mattioli

Sent from my iPhone

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: Personal Conviction Exemptions
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 6:41:35 PM

From: tom mattioli <tjmatti@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 6:38 PM
Subject: Personal Conviction Exemptions

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Sincerely,
Tom Mattioli

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: Personal exemption for Vaccinations
Date: Wednesday, October 2, 2019 8:32:06 AM

From: Linda Rice <ricearoni.rice@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 6:48 PM
To: John Robinson
Subject: Personal exemption for Vaccinations

I oppose the removal of personal vaccination exemption .

I support my right to make informed choice to vaccinate or to not vaccinate.

Linda M Rice

From: [Joan Theurer](#)
To: [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Cc: [Eileen Eckardt](#); [Rebecca Mroczenski](#)
Subject: FW: Philosophical Vaccine Exemption
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 11:57:14 AM

From: John Robinson
Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 7:28 AM
To: Joan Theurer <Joan.Theurer@co.marathon.wi.us>; eileen.eckert@co.marathon.wi.us
Subject: Fwd: Philosophical Vaccine Exemption

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Lindsey <lindseyschlichte@yahoo.com>
Date: October 1, 2019 at 6:59:58 AM CDT
To: john.robinson@co.marathon.wi.us, maryann.crosby@co.marathon.wi.us,
matt.bootz@co.marathon.wi.us, kirt.gibbs@co.marathon.wi.us
Subject: Philosophical Vaccine Exemption

To Whom it May Concern,

It is my understanding a board meeting is being held this morning to remove our right to a philosophical exemption from the CDC vaccine schedule this morning. I know you will be hearing from many educated people on this subject so I will keep my email to the point and just ask that you allow the citizens of Marathon county to keep the rights that we currently have in regards to vaccine exemptions. There is no denying the risk that comes with vaccination whether you argue it is great or small. Where there is risk there must be choice. My own son has an unacknowledged vaccine injury and taking away this exemption would likely force me to keep him out of public schools or risk further harm to my child. Please carefully consider the viewpoints expressed this morning and I trust you will make the right decision for the children of this county.

Lindsey Bowman

Sent from my iPhone

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: Please oppose the removal of the personal exemption waiver
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 4:51:54 PM
Attachments: [Wisconsin measles data and vaccine data.pdf](#)
[Wisconsin Vaccination and Exemption Rates June 16 2019 \(1\) copy.pdf](#)
[Publications-Regarding-Vaccine-Safety-1.pdf](#)
[Vaccine Schedule PDF.pdf](#)

From: Rachel McCardle <rachelmccardle@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 1:56 PM
To: Rachel McCardle
Subject: Please oppose the removal of the personal exemption waiver

My name is Rachel McCardle. My husband and I are both lifelong Wisconsin residents, we are both college graduates and we have an almost two year old son.

There is some information I'd like to share with you that I'd like you to keep in mind when considering the resolution to remove the personal exemption waiver for vaccination.

Removing the personal exemption waiver would effect any family that vaccinates on a delayed schedule, chooses to opt out of one or more vaccines, or doesn't vaccinate at all. Regardless what medical path a family chooses it should remain the parents choice. Mandating medical procedures would be an overstep of the government.

In 1986 The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act (the "1986 Act") was passed by congress, essentially making all vaccines on the childhood CDC schedule liability free. HHS has admitted in court that they have never submitted the safety reports to congress as set forth in the "1986 Act".

Can we really mandate liability free products that aren't being properly reviewed for safety?

Since 1986 we have seen pharmaceutical company misconduct over and over and billions paid out for such misconduct and injuries related to those drug products. These same companies are manufacturing vaccines and they are liability free and cannot be held accountable the way they have for other drugs they manufacture.

We have also seen the number of vaccines increase dramatically since the "1986 Act". There are more vaccines in the works and there is also a push to add more vaccines to the already large CDC schedule. Some of those including the Flu and the HPV. If mandates are removed parents wouldn't be able to opt out of these unavoidable unsafe vaccines.

Most vaccines have never been evaluated for their potential to cause cancer, mutate genes or cause infertility. Most vaccines also contain ingredients that many people

are allergic to or have moral or ethical objections to (animal products and aborted fetal DNA to name a couple).

WI hasn't seen a measles case since 2014. That year we saw two cases, both in adults and not in our school age children. Vaccination rates have stayed steady in WI since 2011-2012 school year.

Vaccine exceptions are not a public health issue. This is however a human rights issue. Medical freedom is our right. Body autonomy is our right. A public education is our right.

Please support a parents right to make medical decisions for their children.
Please OPPOSE the removal of the personal conviction waiver.

Respectfully yours,

Rachel McCardle
420 Orange Street
Hudson WI 54016

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Eileen Eckardt](#); [Joan Theurer](#)
Subject: Fw: Please oppose the resolution asking the state legislature to remove the personal conviction exemption to vaccines

From: Laura Van Roo <lauravanroo@hotmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 6:58 PM

To: Katie Rosenberg; Romey Wagner; David.nutting@co.marathon.wi.us; John Robinson; Ka Lo; Jeff Johnson; Mary Ann Crosby; Donna Krause; Alyson Leahy; Arnold Schlei; Matthew.bootz@co.marathon.wi.us; Rick Seefeldt; Randy Fifrick; Jeffrey Zriny; Edward Stark; Craig.mcewen@co.marathon.wi.us; Yee Leng Xiong; Sara Guild; Loren White; Alan Christensen; Chris Voll; Jean Maszk; Sandy.cihlar@co.marathon.wi.us; John Durham; Thomas Seubert; Maynard Tremelling; Jim Bove; Richard Gumz; Allen.drabeck@co.marathon.wi.us; Kurt Gibbs; Tim Buttke; Gary Beastrom; Jacob Langenhahn; Bill Miller; Jim Schaefer; Allen Opall

Subject: Please oppose the resolution asking the state legislature to remove the personal conviction exemption to vaccines

Please oppose the resolution to ask the state legislature to remove the personal conviction exemption to vaccines.

I am not anti- nor pro-vaccine, I am for medical freedom of choice and the right to choose what goes into our bodies and into the bodies of our children.

It is NOT the role of government to make health care decisions and decisions regarding medical procedures for people, especially without full disclosure and informed consent, and should never mandate injection of drugs that have risk into our children's bodies. Government should NOT be limiting our freedom of choice regarding these matters. Where there is RISK there should be CHOICE!

FACTS:

Vaccines are liability free pharmaceutical products. The manufacturer of a vaccine cannot be sued for their product injuring or killing someone!

Vaccines, along with ALL pharmaceutical products, and as listed on VACCINE INSERTS come with risks that CAN and DO cause injury and death.

The ever growing vaccine schedule has NEVER been tested for safety. Without liability for their product, there is no incentive for the vaccine manufacturers to do such a study.

Many parents who use the personal conviction exemption to vaccines do so for only one or a few vaccines and not for all on the recommended schedule.

I do not support the resolution to remove the personal conviction vaccine exemption. Please oppose this resolution and leave this decision between parents and their health care provider.

Sincerely,

Laura A Van Roo, DC, FICPA, DACCP

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Please support parental rights

From: Leeann Benly <leeannbenly@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 28, 2019 7:52 PM
To: leeann.benly@gmail.com
Subject: Please support parental rights

Dear Marathon County Board Members,

I am writing today to ask that you vote against the proposed resolution to support removing the personal conviction vaccine exemption for school and day care in Wisconsin.

The issue is not about vaccines. **The issue is about personal and parental choice.**

I firmly believe in parental choice and am opposed to the involvement of government in private medical decisions. This choice needs to remain between parents or guardians and their healthcare provider. Government should have no right to require parents to force their children to receive pharmaceutical products, which come with risks, as a condition for receiving an education in the state of Wisconsin.

Vaccine manufacturers, the doctors, and providers who administer vaccines are completely shielded from liability for vaccine injuries and deaths. The law passed by Congress in 1986 establishing the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program ^[i] and the 2011 Supreme Court Decision BRUESEWITZ ET AL. v. WYETH LLC, FKA WYETH, INC., ET AL ^[ii] took away the right for those injured or killed by vaccines to sue the vaccine manufacturer in a civil court of law. There are **NO incentives** for pharmaceutical companies to assure that their products are safe.

Since 1989, the U.S. Government has paid out nearly \$4.2 billion dollars to vaccine victims through the National Vaccine Compensation Program. ^[iii] This money does not come from the pharmaceutical companies who make the vaccines that cause these injuries and death. The program is funded by U.S. taxpayers, through a 75-cent tax levied on all administered vaccines. ^[iv]

The CDC currently recommends that all children receive 50 doses of 14 different vaccines between the day of birth and age six and at least 69 doses of 16 vaccines between the day of birth and age eighteen. ^[v] This more than doubles the government childhood schedule of 34 doses of 11 different vaccines in the year 2000. ^[vi] In the past 15 years, 35 doses and 5 more unique vaccines have been added to the schedule. While adding vaccine after vaccine and dose after dose, **the CDC has yet to do a single study on whether or not this ever-growing vaccine schedule is actually safe for our children.** There is no end in sight to the number of vaccines that could be added to the schedule, with over 260 vaccines currently in development. ^[vii] Vaccines for HIV, chlamydia, syphilis, and gonorrhea. This exemption protects our children from any future vaccines which could potentially be added to the schedule.

Data from the Wisconsin Department of Health reports that vaccines don't always work and that vaccinated individuals can still get sick and even spread illness on to others. Mumps outbreaks are occurring in highly vaccinated populations. People vaccinated for pertussis can still spread the disease, even without symptoms. ^[viii] ^[ix] ^[x] ^[xi] While public health officials often use the argument that everyone should be vaccinated to protect those who can't be, the reality is, according to the CDC, nearly all persons with chronic illness, including immunocompromised children, can receive vaccines. Few school children qualify for medical exemptions to vaccination. ^[xii] ^[xiii] Wisconsin's own data reports on the failure of vaccines to work and immunocompromised school children are at risk for diseases from both vaccinated and unvaccinated schoolmates, and at risk for developing diseases that we don't vaccinate for. The removal of the personal exemption to vaccination in Wisconsin will not solve this problem.

Protect parental rights. Please vote no to this resolution.

Sincerely,
Leeann Benly

^[i] U.S. Code [42 USC CHAPTER 6A, SUBCHAPTER XIX, Part 2: National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program From Title 42—THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE - CHAPTER 6A—PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE SUBCHAPTER XIX—VACCINES](#)

^[ii] U.S. Supreme Court. [Bruesewitz v. Wyeth](#) 09-152; Feb. 22, 2011. Justices Sotomayor and Ginsberg Dissenting (pg. 30).

^[iii] U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program Data - Sept. 1, 2019](#). National Vaccine Injury

Compensation Program. Sept. 1, 2019

[iv] U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [About the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program](#). National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program. June 2019

[v] CDC [Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule for ages 18 years or younger, United States, 2019](#) Feb. 5, 2019

[vi] CDC [Notice to Readers: Recommended Childhood Immunization Schedule – United States, 2000](#) MMWR Jan. 21, 2000; 49(02);35-38,47

[vii] Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PHRMA) [VACCINES: HARNESSING SCIENCE TO DRIVE INNOVATION FOR PATIENTS](#) Oct. 2017

[viii] [Vaccine-Preventable Diseases Surveillance Summary Wisconsin, 2018](#) Wisconsin Dept. of Health - P-02321 (April 2019)

[ix] Fields VS, Safi H, Waters C et al. [Mumps in a highly vaccinated Marshallese community in Arkansas, USA: an outbreak report](#). Lancet Infect Dis. 2019 Feb;19(2):185-192

[x] Peltola H, Kulkarni PS, Kapre SV et al. [Mumps outbreaks in Canada and the United States: time for new thinking on mumps vaccines](#). Clin Infect Dis. 2007 Aug 15;45(4):459-66

[xi] CDC [Pertussis \(Whooping Cough\) – Pertussis Frequently Asked Questions](#) – Apr. 1, 2019

[xii] Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. [Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices \(ACIP\): Use of Vaccines and Immune Globulins in Persons with Altered Immunocompetence](#). Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report Apr. 9, 1993.

[xiii] CDC [Contraindications and Precautions - General Best Practice Guidelines for Immunization: Best Practices Guidance of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices \(ACIP\)](#) Aug. 20, 2019

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Please vote NO to vaccination exemption removal

From: Laura Ustanovska <lustanovska@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 9:45 PM
Subject: Please vote NO to vaccination exemption removal

Hello,

My name is Laura Ustanovska. Although I now live in Southeastern Wisconsin, I grew up on the border right between Clark and Marathon counties. I am watching what is happening – county by county – in our state regarding medical freedom. I am contacting you to respectfully ask that you NOT support the resolution for the removal of the personal/philosophical exemption of vaccines.

I do not know if you are aware but a number of vaccines have fetal DNA fragments in them. This was actually written on the ingredients list until just this past January, when it began to get too much attention. Although it is claimed to be just a “trace,” an independent lab recently found 360,000 human fetal cells in the MMR+chicken pox shot.

I am not comfortable putting another human's DNA in my and my children's bodies, where it will merge with my own DNA irreversibly. Ethical alternative vaccinations need to be widely accessible, and the right of a parent to tailor the shots they feel comfortable with needs to be upheld.

I am happy to provide further information, clarifications or citations.

Thank you,

Laura Ustanovska

W379N6272 N Lake Rd.

Oconomowoc WI 53066

262-309-8632

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Removal of personal conviction vaccine exemptions
Attachments: [Publications-Regarding-Vaccine-Safety.pdf](#)
[ICAN-HHS-Stipulated-Order-July-2018-2 \(2\).pdf](#)
[Hedrich_Herd_Immunity.pdf](#)
[FLUARIX-QUADRIVALENT-2.PDF](#)
[Vaccine Injury Act of 1986.pdf](#)
[trdap-fplr-sl-jan19-1.pdf](#)
[VaccineIngredients.pdf](#)
[Pubhealthreport1967.pdf](#)

From: Bailey Starks <b.lynnstarks@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 12:20 PM

To: Katie Rosenberg; Romey Wagner; David.nutting@co.marathon.wi.us; John Robinson; Ka Lo; Jeff Johnson; Mary Ann Crosby; Donna Krause; Alyson Leahy; Arnold Schlei; Matthew.bootz@co.marathon.wi.us; Rick Seefeldt; Randy Fifrlick; Jeffrey Zriny; Edward Stark; Craig McEwen; Yee Leng Xiong; Sara Guild; Loren White; Alan Christensen; Chris Voll; Jean Maszk; Sandy.cihlar@co.marathon.wi.us; John Durham; Thomas Seubert; Maynard Tremelling; Jim Bove; Richard Gumz; Allen.drabeck@co.marathon.wi.us; Kurt Gibbs; Tim Buttke; Gary Beastrom; Jacob Langenhahn; Bill Miller; Allen Opall; Jim Schaefer

Subject: Removal of personal conviction vaccine exemptions

To whom it may concern,

This letter is regarding the topic of personal conviction immunization exemptions.

Please take the time to hear me out.

One year ago I became a mother to a perfect little girl. When I found out I was pregnant with her, I decided to do a little research into the safety of vaccinations, as I was curious. I planned on fully following the recommended schedule from the CDC, I just wanted to be informed on what exactly we would be putting into that tiny little body right after she was born. I read every single scientific, peer reviewed study I could find. Here is where red flags raised, and I was very surprised at what I found. Note that I did not get my information from mama blogs and "conspiracy theories", I found my information in medical journals, published studies, vaccine inserts and articles written by medical professionals. If there are so many studies proving vaccinations to be unsafe & under-studied, why and how can the CDC tell us they are so safe and effective? There is an overwhelming amount of scientific evidence showing otherwise, its mind boggling. Moreover, how can the federal/state government (or county boards) deem them mandatory? Where there is risk, there MUST be a choice. Vaccinations, just like any other medication are not "one size fits all", yet we treat them that way. We are told that it is "for the greater good", but we don't look at the bigger picture. The bigger picture being our health as a community, as a state, as a nation. If we are moving in such a better/forward direction, why are all of these autoimmune disorders, diseases, cancers, etc.. constantly rising? I believe that the rise in health problems stems from a lot of different things, not solely vaccinations, but it is undeniable that it is a cause, or at the very least a question based on the following information.

A few major points that I hope you will open-mindedly consider:

In 1986 Congress passed "The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act", to stabilize the vaccine market adversely affected by an increase in vaccine-related tort litigation and to facilitate compensation to claimants who found pursuing legitimate vaccine-inflicted injuries too costly and difficult. Most importantly, the act eliminates manufacturer liability for a vaccine's "unavoidably unsafe adverse side effects". **Document attached*

Firstly, isn't this a red flag in itself? There were so many lawsuits and adverse reactions including death, that Congress needed to pass an act to keep the manufacturer's safe.. Or else they were going to stop producing their vaccines. If vaccines are so safe and effective, why do manufactures and doctors need immunity from lawsuits?

Secondly, this needs our attention: Since 1986 when manufacturers were granted protection, the CDC's vaccination schedule has changed drastically. The childhood vaccination schedule has increased by 48 doses of multiple different vaccinations. The schedule went from 5 doses in 1962, to 24 doses in 1983, to 72 total doses. By the time our children are 18, if we follow the CDC recommended schedule, they will have had 72 doses of 17 different vaccinations. By the time they are just one year old, they already will have 29 doses! This number is going to continue to grow. Doesn't that seem a little... excessive?

**Attached is a visual reference.*

Also, this is a link to the CDC childhood vaccine schedule

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/child-adolescent.html#vaccines-schedule>

After "The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act" was passed in 1986, congress charged the Secretary of HHS with the explicit responsibility to assure vaccine safety. Hence, since 1986, HHS has had the primary and sole responsibility to make and assure improvements in the licensing, manufacturing, adverse reaction reporting, research, safety and efficacy testing of vaccines in order to reduce the risk of adverse vaccine reactions. In order to assure HHS meets its vaccine safety obligations, Congress required as part of the 1986 Act that the Secretary of HHS submit biennial reports to Congress detailing the improvements in vaccine safety made by HHS in the preceding two years. ICAN (Informed Consent Action Network) therefore filed a Freedom of Information Act request on August 25th, 2017 to HHS seeking copies of the biennial reports that HHS was supposed to submit to Congress, starting in 1988, detailing the improvements it made every two years to vaccine safety. HHS refused to provide any response to this request.

ICAN was forced to file a lawsuit to force HHS to either provide copies of its biennial vaccine safety reports to Congress or admit it never filed these reports. The result of the lawsuit is that HHS had to finally admit that it never, not even once, submitted a single report to Congress detailing the improvements in vaccine safety. This speaks volumes to the seriousness by which vaccine safety is treated at HHS and heightens the concern that HHS doesn't have a clue as to the actual safety profile of the now 29 doses, and growing, of vaccines given by one year of age. In contrast, HHS takes the other portions of the 1986 Act, which require promoting vaccine uptake, very seriously, spending billions annually and generating a steady stream of reports on how to improve vaccine uptake. Regrettably, HHS has chosen to focus on its obligation to increase vaccine uptake and defend against any claim vaccines cause harm in the National Injury Vaccine Compensation Program (aka, the Vaccine Court) to such a degree that it has abandoned its vaccine safety responsibilities. If HHS is not even fulfilling the simple task of filing a biennial report on vaccine safety improvements, there is little hope that HHS is actually tackling the much harder job of actually improving vaccine safety.

Isn't this alarming? Why isn't this on the news? I think the answer to that question is pretty obvious... there is way too much to lose, if the people became aware of the truth. So, they only tell us what they want us to know.

**Attached is a PDF with the information from the case*

Since 1988, over \$4.2 billion has been paid out to families in compensation for vaccine injury/death. This is such a small fraction in comparison to actual cases that are submitted, and an even smaller fraction in comparison to cases of injury that are not submitted. According to the FDA, this only accounts for an estimated 1-10% of actual cases, as most are not properly reported to VAERS.

<https://www.hrsa.gov/vaccine-compensation/data/index.html>

I was talking about how vaccinations are not a one size fits all, as other medications are not

considered to be. But, did you know that vaccinations are not even held to the same scientific golden standard of testing? Any other medication approved by the FDA is required to pass a double blind placebo study. Vaccinations are *not*. Why? However, there *is* documentation of CDC scientists who have come forward with evidence of manipulation of studies & destroying of evidence, hiding results. Why isn't this on the news? Is it because "our" priorities are elsewhere, maybe in our pocketbooks? Isn't that what it always comes down to, money? Sad, but true.

Here is where I was going to attach a couple of links I had saved over a year ago. CDC scientists came forward with the truth, fraudulent practices & manipulation of studies. The information is deleted. Who is going to the trouble of deleting this information? More importantly.. Why? Is there something they don't want us to see?

Here is the lawyers' website if you are curious, but the two cases have been deleted:

<https://www.morganverkamp.com/>

Do you know that on every single vaccine insert, it is plainly & clearly stated that vaccines have never been tested to see if they could cause cancer, gene mutation or fertility issues? Why isn't that a cause for questioning of safety? Again.. Cancer is one of the things that continues to rise in this country, childhood cancer included. Infertility problems also seem to be more common. Is it ironic that the number of vaccinations we receive have also been rising? It's a legitimate question to ask.

This information on the growing number of childhood cancer diagnoses:

https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/cancer/childhood/docs/is_childhood_cancer_increasing.pdf

I also learned that though it is now "recommended" and routine for pregnant women to receive the DTaP & flu vaccine, the vaccine inserts clearly state that they have not been tested for safety in pregnant women. My doctor did not know it said that in the insert, actually. Her response? "Well, it can't really be tested for that". Oh, so we just cross our fingers and hope for the best? Yet they have a whole list of medications that are not safe for pregnant women to take. How did they test those? And why are they not equally as concerned about testing the vaccinations for safety prior to administering, especially to a woman who is carrying a developing child? They are more interested in finding a new group of people to recommend a vaccine for.

**Attached are two vaccine inserts. The DTaP insert & the Influenza insert from 2018-19. Scroll to section 8.1 in the Fluarix Quadrivalent insert to read: "There are insufficient data on Fluarix Quadrivalent in pregnant women to inform vaccine associated risks." They also provide a number for physicians to register their patients at so the outcomes can be tracked.. sounds like we might be the guinea pigs?*

13.1 States "Fluarix Quadrivalent has not been evaluated for carcinogenic or mutagenic potential or male infertility in animals. Vaccination of female rats with Fluarix Quadrivalent had no effect on fertility."

8.1 of the Adacel insert states the same, giving the contact number to register their "patients/guinea pigs". You will also read: "There are no adequate and well-controlled studies of Adacel administration in pregnant women in the U.S."

13.1 States "Adacel has not been evaluated for carcinogenic or mutagenic potential, or impairment of male fertility."

We all know the measles "outbreaks" have been in the news. That is probably the main reason for this topic in the meeting, right? How many people have died from the measles in this country, in the most recent decades? This is an incredibly hard number to find, actually... zero. You can bet that measles deaths would be on every single news channel around, if these deaths existed. However, there have been well over 400 verified deaths from the MMR vaccination (again keep in mind, this only accounts for an actual 1-10% according to the FDA). Not to mention those who are suffering with lifelong side effects, seizures & autoimmune disorders from the MMR, that list is *way* longer than 400. But, this isn't on the news either, is it?

You can find all of this information here:

<https://vaers.hhs.gov/>

On the topic of measles, how many of you remember having the measles? The vaccine came out in 1963 but it wasn't widely used till a few years after that. I have talked to many adults who recall having the measles. It was a childhood rite of passage, it was something everyone got as a kid and then it was over. I have even heard of "measles parties", to get it over with. & Look at that, you are all here to tell the tale. Not to mention lifetime immunity, that you cannot receive from a MMR shot, no matter how many boosters you consent to getting. Actually, there are studies upon studies showing measles *and* pertussis outbreaks occurring in highly vaccinated communities (98-100% vaccination rates). Isn't that quite interesting? But, what about that "herd immunity"? That is what you are worried about, as public health officials, correct? – Protecting the herd. Yet these studies show, mass vaccination does not do that. Further, measles is not a life threatening disease here in America like the CDC and media want us to believe. It might be different in 3rd world countries where they are living in poverty, without clean water, medicine & proper nutrition, but not here in America. It just isn't.

On another topic, do you know the FDA safety limit for aluminum? It is 4-5mcg/kg of body weight per day. The FDA requires that all injectable solutions have a 25mcg limit, which we know is safe. Now, we will take the Hepatitis B vaccination for example, which is one of the vaccinations that is administered within the first 24 hours of life. It contains 250 total mcg of aluminum. This is not the only vaccination our babies receive that contains such a significant level of aluminum, either. How is this acceptable?! The reason there is a safety limit for aluminum is because it is a neurotoxin, it accumulates in the brain, and it cannot be filtered out. There are tons of scientific, peer reviewed studies that prove this. On a side note, can I also ask... why is the hepatitis B vaccination administered to a newborn child if the mother is not infected with hep B? This is a disease that is spread through sexual intercourse and the sharing of dirty needles. I asked this question to my doctor, her response was "it's just the way the CDC made the schedule". Interesting, but sorry.. That is not a good enough answer for me. Is it for you?

This is a list of each vaccine that contains a significant amount of aluminum:

HIB – 225mcg (PedVaxHIB brand)/shot

Pc – 125mcg/shot

DTaP – depending on manufacturer 170-625mcg/shot

Hep B – 250mcg/shot

Hep A – 250mcg/shot

HPV – 173-225mcg/shot

Pentacel (DTaP, HIB, polio combo vaccine) – 330mcg/shot

Pediarix (DTaP, Hep B, polio combo) – 850mcg/shot

Several years ago, the FDA decided to set a max allowable limit for how much aluminum would be allowed in any single vaccine. Why it's different than any other injectable solution is beyond me. That limit is 850mcg. 25mcg for *any* injectable solution, but vaccines can be injected with a limit of 850mcg; quite a jump... wouldn't you agree? How did they decide on 850mcg maximum per vaccine? That number just happens to be the amount of aluminum in the DTaP/ hep B/polio combo vaccine. But, there was not one shred of research data used to set that limit. I might also add that they don't put a limit on giving multiple aluminum containing vaccines on the same day, either. Per the CDC schedule, our babies can receive up to 1225mcg of aluminum in one day. Is that not alarming to you? Aluminum is not the only concerning ingredient in vaccines, but if I go into each one, you will be reading for a week. I will attach a document with ingredients for your own reference.

Here are a few articles that are pertinent:

Aluminum in the central nervous system (CNS): toxicity in humans and animals, vaccine

adjuvants, and autoimmunity.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/23609067>

Are there negative CNS impacts of aluminum adjuvants used in vaccines and immunotherapy?

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/25428645>

Mechanisms of aluminum adjuvant toxicity and autoimmunity in pediatric populations.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/22235057>

I could go on forever, if I am being honest. I feel like I have done nothing but study this topic for the last two years. After all, no one is going to protect my daughter better than myself right? I'm sure that if you are a mother or a parent you can agree with that. But, I want to make one final point, "debunk" a theory if you will. Because, this is what it *always* comes down to.. herd immunity. It's not just about my kid, it affects everyone else too. Right? ...Wrong.

We all know what herd immunity is; it's the idea that if the majority of the population (CDC says 95%) is protected against a disease, the entire population is protected. Does herd immunity exist? Absolutely! The problem is, herd immunity through vaccination does *not* exist. The theory of herd immunity through vaccination is based on the documented proof of the natural immunity that occurs after exposure to certain illnesses.

First of all, where did we come up with the magic number of 95% vaccination as the requirement to achieve herd immunity? The idea was born in the 1930's when Johns Hopkins University's Arthur Hedrich discovered that after about 55% of Baltimore's population contracted measles (and subsequently became immune to measles) the rest of the population became protected. So, in November of 1966, the US Public Health Service announced a mass vaccination program aimed at vaccinating 55% of the population which would eradicate measles in the US by 1967. The problem is- it didn't work. Despite achieving the 55% vaccination rate, measles was **not** eradicated by 1967. (Our first clue that natural immunity is far superior to vaccine immunity.) So, they increased the required vaccination percentage to 70-75%. When that failed, the percentage was increased to 80%. Then 83%, then 85%, then 90% in 2001. Currently, we are at the number 95% and many studies are now calling for 100% required rates. (What was that about protecting those members of the herd that are **not** able to tolerate vaccination again?)
**Public health report predicting elimination of measles by 1967 attached*

So, was Hedrich wrong, or is there a difference between the natural immunity derived from contracting diseases and the immunity derived from vaccinations?

For years, scientists have worked on the assumption that one vaccine would result in lifetime immunity. And indeed for decades we have operated under the assumption that the infectious diseases that we are vaccinated against are all but eradicated. Almost no one gets them, vaccines work. Right?

Actually, for over 70 years doctors assumed that vaccine immunity was lifelong. No one vaccinated during these years received booster shots. It wasn't until much later that it was discovered that vaccine protection only lasts from 2 to 10 years. So, the first generations to be vaccinated in childhood likely had *no* immunity by the time they reached adulthood. Renowned neurosurgeon, Dr. Russell Blaylock writes, "If we listen to present-day wisdom, we are all at risk of resurgent massive epidemics should the vaccination rate fall below 95%. Yet, we have all lived for at least 30 to 40 years with 50% or less of the population having vaccine protection. That is, herd immunity has not existed in this country for many decades and no resurgent epidemics have occurred."

Here is where I planned to attach a link to Dr. Blaylock's vaccine herd immunity article, so you could read for yourself.. But when I went to the website "International Medical Counsel on

Vaccination”, I found that the article no longer exists. So, I was prepared to attach a different link that proves what I am explaining.. I found that page to be deleted also. Clearly, this has been happening a lot. Again I ask, who is going to the trouble of deleting this information? And *why*?

Here are a couple of studies that show failure to reach the goal of measles elimination & the future of measles in highly immunized populations:

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/8053748>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/6741921>

I would also like to include the original study by A.W. Hedrich, for reference. Besides the discovery of NATURAL herd immunity, he states on page 628 (4): *During the 32 year period, the calculated proportion of intacts in the population under age 15 did not rise above 53 per cent, nor fall below 32 per cent. It is evident, as Brownlee and many others have pointed out, that ordinarily measles epidemics do not "wipe out" the susceptible populations. Those escaping attack are mainly infants and young children. Data from Collins and unpublished results of the writer show that the proportion of intacts currently attacked is much greater at early school ages than in infancy*

**Document attached*

This brings me to a whole other point that I will try to keep short: infants under age one are not able to receive the MMR. They are left unprotected, in their most vulnerable state of life, infancy. When NATURAL immunity existed this scenario was totally and completely opposite.

A study published by M. Papania in 1999 states, “Infants whose mothers were born after 1963 had a measles attack rate of 33%, compared to 12% for infants of older mothers...Infants whose mothers were born after 1963 are more susceptible to measles than are infants of older mothers. An increasing proportion of infants born in the United States may be susceptible to measles. As Dr. Suzanne Humphries notes, “Infants used to be protected by maternal antibodies, adults were protected by routine exposure, and infected children came through the disease normally with long term immunity.” And in 1984, Professor D. Levy of Johns Hopkins University concluded that if current practices [of suppressing natural immunity] continue, by the year 2050 a large part of the population will be at risk and ‘there could in theory be over 25,000 fatal cases of measles in the U.S.A.

This begs the question... what do we think we are doing here, exactly? Messing with the perfectly designed process of our NATURAL immune systems? Can’t you see that we are just making things worse?

Here is the study I was referring to:

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/10545585>

Anyway, back on topic. Herd immunity; years later scientists discovered that the body is best able to defend itself due to ongoing re-exposure to pathogens. This is where re-vaccination (boosters) came into play. We are trying to mimic the natural “re-exposure”. So why then, do we continue to have “outbreaks” in the highly vaccinated communities, as stated earlier? Because vaccinations do not bring immunity, the way natural exposure does.

Here is one of many articles of measles outbreak in 99% vaccinated school:

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/3821823>

First, let’s define how the body responds to natural infection. When a person gets an infectious disease for the first time, the body’s immune system uses its innate powers, which mostly involve cellular immunity. In the process, it prepares for the future. The next time that same infectious agent comes around; the body will use its memory of the first experience so that it can react faster. But after a vaccine, when the natural microorganism comes along later, the body will act according to how it was programmed by the vaccination and that is what we call original antigenic sin (OAS).

When it comes to B. pertussis for example, OAS is very important and well described. The bacteria secrete several toxins, one of which only emerges after the infection takes place. That is called adenylate cyclase toxin (ACT). Once whooping cough bacteria attach to cells in the bronchi,

a gene in the bacteria switches on, and ACT, which acts like a force field against the immune system, is produced. ACT stops the immune system from recognizing the bacteria by acting as an anti-inflammatory and ant phagocytic factor.

This gives the bacteria about a two-week advantage until the immune system wakes up to the fact that it has been “duped”. In the case of natural whooping cough immunity, ACT forms the basis of the initial immune response. That front-line immune response is not only critical for eliminating the first round of pertussis bacteria, but it is also crucial for removing bacteria upon later reinfection. In natural immunity, the body reacts very strongly to ACT, but because of original antigenic sin and the absence of ACT in the vaccine, *the vaccinated are not programmed to respond to it at all*. Vaccines do not boost antibody to this toxin, because as of yet, nobody has figured how to put that antigen into the vaccine.

You can find the full article by Dr. Suzanne Humphries here, with sited sources:

<https://vaccinechoicecanada.com/resources/books-periodicals/original-antigenic-sin-committed-by-vaccination/#ref-553>

This is one of the scientific studies she sited:

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2863370/>

In conclusion, I would like to say that this is only the tip of the iceberg when it comes to misinformation on vaccines. And, this is exactly why I choose not to vaccinate my little girl, or alter her immune system in any way – but, rather support it. If you choose to believe otherwise, if you choose to follow the CDC recommended schedule without a second thought, that is completely and totally your personal decision. And it should remain that way, a *personal* decision that a parent makes for their own child. After all, we have been made aware that no one will be held responsible for the outcome other than you, the parent. If your child has a life altering or God forbid, life ending reaction to a vaccination that was administered, no one will be liable. No one will have to pay for the medical costs that might follow, no one will have to pay for your heartbreak, no one will be held responsible other than *YOU*. So shouldn't it be *YOUR* decision to make?

This is America, land of the free. That includes our freedom of choice.

I do not support removing personal conviction immunization exemptions.

Sincerely,

Bailey Starks

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Resolution for Removal of Personal Conviction

From: Bahr, Crystal <Crystal-Bahr@IDEXX.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 7:55 PM
To: Katie Rosenberg
Subject: Resolution for Removal of Personal Conviction

Good evening,

I am writing to you today to ask that you please do not support the proposed resolution requesting the Wisconsin Legislature end the use of personal conviction waivers for school and day care immunizations.

While many may feel comfortable with the current CDC schedule, they may not be okay with additional vaccines that are added on in the future. If this exemption is removed there will not be a choice. As we see other states removing exemptions, we are also seeing them add more vaccines to the requirements such as HPV.

The philosophical exemption is used by parents who wish to delay or space out a vaccination schedule. It is also used for parents who wish to opt out of one or more vaccinations such as Hepatitis B, Chicken Pox, or HPV. It is also used by parents who watched a perfectly healthy child become injured or die following a vaccine and wish to opt out of that vaccine for their other children. The childhood vaccine schedule has gone from 6 vaccinations in 1961 to 72+ now. The cumulative effects on the mass amount of vaccinations in human body from has never been tested. Multiple rounds of the same vaccine have never been studied or proven safe. The philosophical exemption preserves the families' rights to decide how many rounds of a shot a child gets, and to decide how many is too many. Since there are currently 72 vaccines on the CDC schedule, the philosophical exemption is important for creating the parents' rights to make these medical decisions for their child. *[See the schedule comparison: <https://i.pining.com/originals/32/aa/7b/32aa7b5bc24f03879bfa0e6afbef26d6.jpg>]*

Many will argue that there is still a religious and medical exemption, but that is also under attack as we are seeing with states such as California and New York. Also, there should be freedom and liberty for all, not just those who are religious. Taking away philosophical exemptions is discrimination to any non-religious person. A person would not have to be religious to oppose things like aborted fetal cells being used in a product this bill would require they have injected into them.

I would also like to call to your attention that H.R.5546 - National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986 has provided the pharmaceutical industry with immunity and they are not held liable for injuries and deaths caused by vaccines. Now we have the most profitable sector making profit on a liability-free product and we are considering mandating everyone use the product. If anything should be repealed it should be this law that protects the pharmaceutical industry: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/99th-congress/house-bill/5546>

I am vaccine injured from the MMR vaccine I received in school as a child in 1991. I went into anaphylactic shock and seizure and was transported to the hospital for life saving measures. I live with the damages every day. If I could go back and have the option of not having that vaccine and taking my chances with measles, mumps, or rubella, I would opt out. My doctor told me that there is a 50% chance that my child could have a similar reaction, or worse. I have opted my daughter out of that vaccine. If this exemption is removed I will be forced to take my chances with her.

Please protect parental rights and our right to medical freedom and oppose this resolution.

Sincerely,

Crystal Bahr

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From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: Resolution to support removing the personal belief waiver from mandatory school vaccines
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 5:05:13 PM

From: Dana Kolste <dana.kolste@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 3:28 PM
To: Jim Schaefer
Subject: Resolution to support removing the personal belief waiver from mandatory school vaccines

Hello - It has come to my attention that a resolution to support the removal of the personal belief waiver for mandatory school vaccines. I request that you vote against such a resolution.

When I was 16 years old, I was injured by the Hepatitis B vaccine. The personal belief waiver allows me to opt out of that particular vaccine for my children who may be at higher risk for injury due to our family history. Without the personal belief exemption, I would be forced to vaccinate them and hope it didn't hurt them. Only AFTER and injury would I be able (maybe) to get a medical waiver.

The personal belief waiver allows parents freedom to opt out of only particular vaccines or to spread out the schedule more gradually. It offers options.

Please do not support government overreach into individual healthcare decisions. Thank you.

Dana Kolste

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: resolution

From: Jack J Smith <jajsmith@protonmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 9:39 AM
To: John Robinson
Subject: resolution

I would like to request that you vote against any resolution that would support the removal of the personal conviction exemption to vaccines for schools in Wisconsin.

My wife and I use this exemption to protect our kids. My oldest son suffered a severe reaction to his shots at 15 months. He got sick and then developed seizures. He's never been the same child since that day. No doctor will write a medical exemption for him. And they won't write one for his younger brother either. We rely on the personal conviction waiver to protect our kids from further harm.

Vaccines are made by the same industry that brought us the opioid crisis. You might believe that they are safe and effective, but they aren't for everyone. And they certainly weren't for my son.

This is America. We shouldn't be discriminating against families who choose not to use these products. I urge you to vote no to any resolution that supports taking away my right to decide what is best for my children.

Thank you,
Jack Smith

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From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Vaccine Exemption Elimination

From: Kimberly Smith <kimasmith913@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 11:32 AM

To: Katie Rosenberg; Romey Wagner; Dave Nutting; John Robinson; Ka Lo; Jeff Johnson; Mary Ann Crosby; Donna Krause; Alyson Leahy; Arnold Schlei; Matt Bootz; Rick Seefeldt; Randy Fifrlick; Jeffrey Zriny; Edward Stark; Craig McEwen; Yee Leng Xiong; Sara Guild; Loren White; Alan Christensen; Chris Voll; Jean Maszk; Sandi Cihlar; John Durham; Thomas Seubert; Maynard Tremelling; Jim Bove; Richard Gumz; Allen Drabek; Kurt Gibbs; Tim Buttke; Gary Beastro; Jacob Langenhahn; Bill Miller; Allen Opall; Jim Schaefer

Subject: Vaccine Exemption Elimination

Marathon Board Members,

My name is Kimberly Smith and I live Oregon which is in Southern Dane county. Although I do not live in your area and will not be able to make it to your meeting, I am very carefully watching what is happening with our medical rights throughout the entire state (and country). I am contacting you to respectfully ask you NOT to support the removal of the personal/philosophical exemptions of vaccines in the state of Wisconsin.

In 1986 the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act was passed removing all liability from vaccine manufacturers in the event of an adverse reaction to one of their products. Since this was passed, doses have tripped from 24 doses in 1983 to 72 doses today, and no one is able to be held responsible for any reactions that might happen. A compensation program was put into place for those injured or killed by vaccines and over \$4 Billion has been paid out for vaccine injury and death. There are real risks associated with vaccines and injuries are not rare. Where there is risk, there must be a choice. Medical decisions must be made by patient and healthcare provider, not the pharmaceutical companies. To add to this, it is only the vaccines on the childhood vaccine schedule that are without liability. Adults can sue for damages if they are injured by vaccines such as the shingles vaccine, Zostavax.

Thank you for your time and understanding on this very important issue, as it is completely unconstitutional. The State Health Department is going county to county to remove these exemptions, so that Senator Gordon Hintz(D) can say they have garnered appropriate support for his bill, when most of the counties in which it has passed the public wasn't notified or informed of the motion to eliminate the exemption. Most of the public is completely clueless to what is happening. Please

be their advocates.

Thank you again.

Kimberly Smith

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: Vaccine exemption Resolution Vote for Health Board Mtg on Oct 1, 2019
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 5:18:22 PM

From: Becky Olli <becky.wilcox@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 6:03 PM
To: John Robinson; Sandi Cihlar; Mary Ann Crosby; Katie Rosenberg; Romey Wagner; Dave Nutting; Ka Lo; Jeff Johnson; Donna Krause; Alyson Leahy; Arnold Schlei; Matt Bootz; Rick Seefeldt; Randy Fifrck; Jeffrey Zriny; Edward Stark; Craig McEwen; Yee Leng Xiong; Sara Guild; Loren White; Alan Christensen; Chris Voll; Jean Maszk; John Durham; Thomas Seubert; Maynard Tremelling; Jim Bove; Richard Gumz; Allen.drabeck@co.marathon.wi.us; Kurt Gibbs; Tim Buttke; Gary Beastrom; Jacob Langenhahn; Bill Miller; Allen Opall; Jim Schaefer
Subject: Re: Vaccine exemption Resolution Vote for Health Board Mtg on Oct 1, 2019

Dear Marathon County Medical Board,

I never thought I would see a day when our personal liberties in this country would be put under question. Here in Marathon County, the county in which I was born and have lived most of my life is where it is starting. As a board, you are being asked to offer a resolution to our state to remove personal exemptions for vaccinations. Please refuse this resolution, for all our sakes.

Medicine has always operated in a pathogenic model – the attempt to diagnose and fix a condition once it is here. There is definitely a time and place for this model of medicine, but the medical field should also include salutogenesis. Salutogenesis puts an emphasis on increasing the health of the individual so as to prevent disease from finding a home in our bodies. Vaccinations are not rooted in Salutogenesis. They operate under the assumption that our bodies are not healthy by nature. Can you truly tell me that any form of medication (over the counter or prescription) CREATES health? All medications have side effects. That is a fact. Vaccines can and do cause injury and death. Until pharmaceutical companies are held liable for ALL their products and third party studies are performed on vaccines for cumulative safety, it IMPERATIVE that we continue to be allowed to choose whether it is right for us and our children. We cannot rely on the remaining Religious and Medical Exemptions. To get a medical exemption, requires parents a lot of time and money, if at all possible. It also requires a child to already have a documented reaction – why on earth would we wait until after the fact to do something about it?!?!?

While I could continue to debate at length on the safety and efficacy of vaccines (or lack thereof) – the most important take away from all this is that we should continue to have the RIGHT to CHOOSE our own personal courses of medical treatment. Vaccines, should be viewed the same as any other medical treatment. This is merely a stumbling block. A precedent will be set here and now with your decision. What other medications or medical treatments could possibly be imposed upon us in 10, 15, 25 or more years from now? Despite the rise in the number of medications and vaccinations in our country, we rank 35 of 56 in the healthiest populations of 2019 according to Bloomberg Global Health Index. The answer is not more medicine, but more health. Be part of that movement, not against it.

Healthfully Yours,

Dr. Rebecca Olli

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*Do the best you can until you know better. Then, when you know better, do better. ~Maya
Angelou*

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Cc: [Joan Theurer](#)
Subject: Fw: Vaccine Exemption Support
Date: Sunday, September 29, 2019 5:01:37 PM

Chris

This is the first of several emails that have been sent relating to the personal choice exemption for vaccines. Could you add these to the packet.

Thanks!

John Robinson

From: Amanda Theys <astheys22@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 3:08 PM
To: Amanda
Subject: Vaccine Exemption Support

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Amanda Theys and I live in the greater Milwaukee area. Although I do not live in your area, I am very carefully watching what is happening with our medical rights throughout the entire state (and country). I am contacting you to respectfully ask you NOT to support the removal of the personal/philosophical exemptions of vaccines in the state of Wisconsin. What happens in your county has effect on what happens in our state, and that does greatly concern me.

In 1986 the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act was passed removing all liability from vaccine manufacturers in the event of an adverse reaction to one of their products. Since this was passed, doses have tripped from 24 doses in 1983 to 72 doses today...and no one is able to be held responsible for any reactions that might happen. A compensation program was put into place for those injured or killed by vaccines and over \$4.6 Billion has been paid out for vaccine injury and death. There are real risks associated with vaccines and injuries are not rare, they are just rarely reported. **Where there is risk, there must be a choice.**

On a more personal note, I have 2 children who reacted negatively to their vaccines at their 12 month doctor appointments (as confirmed by 2 different doctors, however, we were denied medical exemptions). Since learning about the personal conviction exemption choice a few years ago, I am now able to customize their vaccine schedules to what I am comfortable with (at a slower pace as to not overwhelm their immune systems). As a mother, I can assure you that this fight is to do what is in the best interest of our children.

Thank you for your time and understanding. I look forward to seeing the outcome of the October 1st meeting.

Yours very truly,

Amanda Theys

South Milwaukee, WI

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Eileen Eckardt](#); [Joan Theurer](#)
Subject: Fw: Vaccine exemption

From: Dana Dilling <danadilling17@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 7:29 AM
To: John Robinson
Subject: Vaccine exemption

Hi John,

I know there's a board meeting tomorrow morning and that vaccine exemptions will be discussed. I just wanted to reach out to say that I appreciate living in a state where we have all 3 exemptions. I think a parent's right to choose the best medical care for their child is important, and eliminating the philosophical exemption would be stripping us of our rights. I ask that you please do not promote any laws that remove this exemption.

Thank you,
Dana Dilling

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: vaccine exeptions

From: Renee Klitzka <reneemklitzka@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 9:08 AM
To: Katie Rosenberg; Romey Wagner; Dave Nutting; John Robinson; Ka Lo; Jeff Johnson; Mary Ann Crosby; Donna Krause; Alyson Leahy; Arnold Schlei; Matt Bootz; Rick Seefeldt; Randy Fifrlick; Jeffrey Zriny; Edward Stark; Craig McEwen; Yee Leng Xiong; Sara Guild; Loren White; Alan Christensen; Chris Voll; Jean Maszk; Sandi Cihlar; John Durham; Thomas Seubert; Maynard Tremelling; Jim Bove; Richard Gumz; Allen.drabeck@co.marathon.wi.us; Kurt Gibbs; Tim Buttke; Gary Beastrom; Jacob Langenhahn; Bill Miller; Allen Opall; Jim Schaefer
Subject: vaccine exeptions

Good morning,

With the upcoming vote regarding the removal on philosophical exemptions for vaccinations, I wanted to reach out to you to encourage you to vote 'no'.

My family has personally been on both sides of the vaccine debate. My oldest son has been fully vaccinated according to the CDC schedule. I listened to my pediatrician and never questioned anything because they are the experts. My daughter began getting vaccinated according to the CDC schedule, however during her 4 month vaccines, she has a adverse reaction to the vaccines she received. The damage that the vaccine caused is still with her today. I have two more sons born after her. We depend on that philosophical exemption for our two youngest sons to protect them from vaccines that do harm to our family.

Vaccine adverse reactions are not rare. The CDC even states that less than 1% of adverse reactions are reported to them. Over 4 billion dollars has already been awarded to vaccine injured families.

Regardless of how you feel about vaccines, we must maintain our freedom to decide what is injected into our children. Giving that right to our Government is unconstitutional and down right frightening. Please stand with Wisconsin families to demand safer vaccines, instead of forcing the ones that are causing life long pain to those that did follow the CDC vaccine schedule.

Thank you,
Renee Klitzka

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Eileen Eckardt](#)
Subject: Fw: Vaccine mandate

From: Ruth Stevens <ruthtristle@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, September 27, 2019 10:43 AM
To: John Robinson
Subject: Vaccine mandate

To whom it concerns,

I am writing to you to please ask that you dont support removing the personal conviction vaccine exemption in Wisconsin which will be discussed at next weeks meeting

I believe in parental choice, and do not agree with the government being involved with private medical decisions. This decision should be up to the parents and their healthcare provider especially since children by the age of 18 years of age are expected to get 72 different vaccines recommended by the CDC each one having side effects just like any other medication. Some side effects include seizures, allergic reaction, brain damage and even death. The CDC has never tested the safety of the vaccine schedule. When my child had an allergic reaction to several medications I had the right to say no shes not getting them again dont take away our right to say no to vaccines for our children. If my child is damaged by a vaccine I can't even sue the companies that produce vaccines by law they are protected. Please don't take our rights away we know what is best for our kids. Thank you for your time on this matter
Sincerely, Ruth Rampart

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Joan Theurer](#); [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Subject: Fw: Vaccine Safety and Medical Freedom Concerns
Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 5:01:30 PM

From: Liz Hays <lh4evergreen@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 12:22 AM
To: John Robinson
Subject: Vaccine Safety and Medical Freedom Concerns

Dear Marathon County Board Members,

I am not normally one to get too involved with politics, however, I can't hold back on this issue... especially now as a mother. I come from a highly educated family of Federal Government Agents, Firefighters, Ministers, etc. I have 2 degrees and have traveled the world. My mission in life has always been to find my purpose in how I can best serve others. That led me to become a Registered Nurse. During my training as a nurse something just didn't feel quite right, loading people up with handfuls of medications and injecting flu shots and vaccines. I quickly found myself working in areas where I did not have to participate in those things because while some drugs are life saving, most never really solve the root of the problem.

Born in the 80's, I was fully vaccinated which I believe I can thank my childhood chronic ear infections for and the ear tubes to follow. My first job in high school was a Milwaukee County Lifeguard where I was given the Hepatitis B Vaccine Series and as I look back I believe that is a contributing factor to the Chronic Fatigue I have experienced over the last 20 years. When I look back at my life I am saddened by how much that has held me back, not having the energy to pursue more of my ideas and dreams.

In Nursing School we were never taught about vaccines, just how to give them. We were told that if we didn't get the flu shots each year we wouldn't be able to do our clinicals and therefore not be able to finish our program. In hindsight I believe I had adverse reactions to at least one of those flu shots. I have been to Africa twice, once on a medical mission and once with the nursing school and was told I had to get a slew of more vaccines in order to travel. Then on top of my Chronic Fatigue came the Fibromyalgia and I live a very healthy lifestyle. With no help from doctors I took it upon myself to research, to find my own answers and I do believe that my health has suffered greatly from all the vaccines and flu shots I have received (which is still nothing in comparison to the amount children are getting today). I was occasionally given the CDC fact sheets (which are a buttered up version of all the benefits and a couple minor side effects like a sore arm or redness at the insertion site) but compare that to the actual vaccine insert in the box and it is very troubling. I am deeply disturbed that I was never given a truly informed consent and I worked in Healthcare!

I have been reading about and researching vaccines for 7 years now and am disgusted

by the lack of safety studies, the toxic/harmful ingredients, the lack of informed consent, the bullying, and the continually increasing amount of vaccines. As well as the fact that the government agencies that we trust our lives with like the CDC have vaccine patents themselves, which should be a red flag to everyone! I am sure you have been bombarded with facts and statistics so I will spare you. It is really quite simple in my eyes...we have some of the sickest children (Obesity, Diabetes, ADD, ADHD, Autoimmune Disorders, Autism, Allergies, etc.) and one of the highest infant mortality rates in the world and yet we are supposed to have some of the best healthcare??? It is obvious something isn't working here and it needs to change. I do believe it is an issue of toxins so vaccines are not the only culprit, just a major contributor. It's predicted that if nothing changes by 2032, 1 in 2 children will have Autism and 80% will be boys (it is believed that the Estrogen is protective for girls, while the Testosterone enhances the negative effects). What will that do to the economy? Who will take care of these children? Who will fill jobs? Who will pay for their care? My first nursing job was taking care of children with special needs who were ventilator dependent, so I know similar situations and how much it took to care for those children. With all that being said we all want to protect and do what is best for our children so everyone should have the choice. Please do everything in your power to protect that choice!

I know that I am an excellent mother and am doing everything in my power to keep my children healthy and happy, as well as teach them to be kind and knowledgeable contributing citizens so please trust me in knowing what is best for them. I could go on forever as it is hard to condense all my thoughts on this matter into a short letter, so...

Lastly, it baffles me that on one side we have the CDC and Pharmaceutical Industry both of which have stake in the matter, have whistleblowers exposing corruption, have been taken to court for fraud, have no liability for their product (WHICH IS INSANE) and on the other hand we have vulnerable hurting families and medical professionals that have been bullied into silence and are just trying to share their story so others don't have to experience what they are going through and yet they are not taken seriously???

I also didn't appreciate the pressure from one of my employers to get the flu shot or wear a mask while a RN. If you look on the VAERS database (which is severely underreported, I never even knew about it as a nurse) you will see how many injuries come from the highly ineffective flu shot. While everyone who got their flu shot at work was sick all winter because it makes you significantly more susceptible to other respiratory infections, I was the healthy one living a healthy preventative lifestyle and forced to wear a mask or alienated to sit by myself. Consider getting a flu shot that had glass shards in it that caused extreme injury or debilitation. Then consider having to jump through all the hoops of the Vaccine Compensation Program and hope they give you enough to cover your medical bills for the rest of your life (thanks to the tax payers) and yet the manufacturer will not suffer any consequence or have to make any safety changes. And these products are being pushed as mandatory??? I trust you will see that it really doesn't seem to be about our health and wellbeing anymore. Please stay strong and stand up for

us and our safety. We are counting on you to protect our medical freedom and medical choice. Please oppose the removal of our personal vaccine exemption. Thank you for your time!

P.S. Below is a link to the PubMed article I recently found linking the adjuvants from the Hep B Vaccine Series to Chronic Fatigue and Autoimmunity issues at the time I received it. Please keep in mind that the adjuvants haven't changed much and if they remove some mercury than they replace it with more aluminum as those are what are purposely used to agitate the immune system.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/25427994>

Sincerely,
Liz Hays

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Christopher Weisgram](#)
Cc: [Joan Theurer](#)
Subject: Fw: Vaccines
Date: Sunday, September 29, 2019 5:02:23 PM

Chris

Here is the second email.

John

From: Barbara Mundt <dbmundt@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 2:10 PM
To: John Robinson
Subject: Vaccines

I do not support the removal of exemptions for vaccines. Parents need to research the risks of vaccines and then be allowed to have the freedom to make the decision that they feel is best for their children. There ARE risks to vaccines. Why else would the CDC have a fund to compensate vaccine damaged individuals? You are in a position to help protect the freedoms of Marathon County. God bless you!

Barbara A Mundt

From: [John Robinson](#)
To: [Eileen Eckardt](#); [Joan Theurer](#)
Subject: Fw: Vote no to remove the personal exemption for vaccines

From: Heather Livingstone <drheather@mystonechiropractic.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 11:53 AM
To: John Robinson
Subject: Vote no to remove the personal exemption for vaccines

Hello!

I oppose removing the personal conviction exemption for vaccines.

There are medical risks associated with vaccines as evidenced by the side effects listed on each vaccine insert and by the fact that the government has paid out over 4 billion dollars for vaccine injuries. By the government's own data, only approximately 1% of injuries are even reported, making the 4 billion dollar payout amount even more jaw dropping.

I support informed consent, which includes the personal exemption, when it comes to medical risk taking/vaccines. Healthcare decisions are not one size fits all.

Please vote NO on this resolution and leave vaccine choices between individual patients and their healthcare providers.

Heather Livingstone

Dear Marathon County Board Supervisor,

I am writing to you to ask that you please **OPPOSE** the resolution to support the legislation to remove Wisconsin's personal conviction vaccine exemption for school and day care.

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