

Vaccination Facts: You need to know...

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"For the first time in history, U.S. [and Canadian] children are sicker than the generation before them. They're not just a little worse off, they are precipitously worse off physically, emotionally, educationally and developmentally. The statistics have been repeated so often, they are almost boring. Obesity affects nearly a fifth of children, triple the prevalence in 1980. Juvenile diabetes is up 104% since 1980. Autism, once regarded as having a purely genetic etiology, increased more than a thousandfold in less than a generation. The incidence of asthma is up nearly 75%. Life-threatening food allergies doubled in the past decade. The prevalence of allergies increased nearly sixfold. Almost one in 10 children—between four and five million kids—have been diagnosed with attention-deficit disorder. Nutrient deficiencies, not seen for decades in U.S. children, are prevalent again, or still persisting.

What happened? Many have argued that the increasingly aggressive vaccination schedule is partly to blame. In the 1980s, more vaccines were given earlier in infancy, as were more multivalent doses, most of which contained mercury... If true, by vaccinating so zealously, rather than making children healthier, as school districts, federal health programs, corporate health infrastructures, and pediatricians insist, we have traded mostly benign or treatable childhood illnesses for incurable, lifelong, extremely costly disability and disease. It means that current vaccine policy and practice create more morbidity and mortality than they prevent in U.S. [and Canadian] children."

Source: *Why Do Pediatricians Deny The Obvious?* By Judy Converse, MPH, RD, LD

Vaccines in Canada: Today, Canadian infants may be injected with up to 8 vaccines at one time, starting at the age of two months. By age 6, a child can receive up to 41 doses of 11 vaccines with more new vaccines about to be added to the line-up. Injections are not adjusted according to the baby's weight—a 5lb infant will be injected with the same amount of vaccine as a 12lb infant. Source: *Canadian Immunization Guide, 6th edition*: http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/publicat/cig-gci/pdf/part2-cdn_immuniz_guide-2002-6.pdf

Are vaccinations safe and effective?

Historical trends indicate vaccines have had little positive effect: Historical trends show that deaths caused by childhood illnesses had already declined as much as 98% before vaccine programs were ever initiated. Evidence indicates that an improved standard of living, particularly access to fresh foods, caused this drop in disease, not vaccines. Evidence also indicates that statistical tampering over the last sixty years has made vaccines appear more effective than they truly are.

"There are significant risks associated with every immunization and numerous contraindications that may make it dangerous for the shots to be given to your child....

Immunization against relatively harmless childhood diseases may be responsible for the dramatic increase in autoimmune diseases."
Dr. Robert Mendelsohn MD, pediatrician

Vaccines contain foreign animal proteins: Vaccines are cultured in such tissues as monkey kidney cells, rabbit and dog brains, horse blood, fetal calf blood, chick embryos, and, yes, even *human* fetal lung tissue. Under normal circumstances, the body only encounters foreign animal proteins through the digestive tract; when injected directly into the blood stream, these proteins can wreak havoc on the body.

Vaccines may contain animal viruses not intended: It is absolutely impossible to completely isolate one virus from others within the animal tissue used. As a result, vaccines pose the greatest risk of cross-species disease introduction; past vaccine batches *have* contained unwanted animal viruses. There is even evidence that the AIDS virus was spread from apes to humans through a contaminated oral polio vaccine given to over 300,000 Africans. Since then, other vaccine batches *have* accidentally included mysterious animal viruses, one of which is SV40, which some scientists link to non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and certain brain tumours in the Baby Boomer generation.

Vaccines contain dangerous chemicals used as preservatives and adjuvants: The chemicals added as preservatives and adjuvants (intended to make them more powerful) to vaccines are dangerous; they include formaldehyde, aluminium phosphate, phenol (carbolic acid), alum, acetone, and, yes, some still do contain Thimerosal (a preservative comprising 50% ethyl mercury). Many of these chemicals are neurotoxic and lead to a myriad of other health issues; they have been linked to autism, Attention Deficit Disorder, and other developmental disorders. These toxins build up in the system over time. The medical community will tell you that "there is no conclusive evidence" linking vaccines with these disorders because they choose to reference scientifically flawed studies sponsored by the pharmaceutical companies themselves or refuse to undertake long term studies to compare the overall health outcome of fully vaccinated groups with unvaccinated ones. Common sense should dictate that injecting toxic chemicals into the bodies of neurologically immature babies is dangerous. (Note that the flu shot still does contain mercury.)

Germs are not necessarily dangerous: The "vaccine theory" is based upon the "germ theory", which says that disease is caused by germs. The germ theory itself has always been in question. We encounter billions of germs everyday but we do not get sick everyday. The "terrain theory" hypothesizes that viral infections are not caused by germs, but by toxic conditions in the body, which make it a favourable host for these organisms; that germs can have a symbiotic relationship with our bodies by feeding on and helping to eliminate toxins. So, the key to combating infectious disease is not to kill the germ but to make the body an unfavourable host: feed it healthy sources of energy and don't poison it with toxins. Vaccinations introduce toxins into the body and may therefore actually cause illness. See work by Claude Bernard or Antoine Bechamp.

"Vaccination involves atypical manipulation of the immune system with lab altered viruses and bacteria as well as many potentially harmful components from aluminium and formaldehyde to endotoxin and residual DNA from animal and human cell substrates. The biological mechanisms for brain and immune system dysfunction caused by live virus or killed bacterial vaccines are varied. Removing mercury from vaccines will lessen the toxic load from vaccination but will not eliminate vaccine injury and death, including vaccine induced autism and other developmental delays."
Barb Fisher, NVIC: National Vaccine Information Center

Vaccines bypass the body's normal lines of immune defence: There is a fundamental issue with injecting particles of infectious diseases directly into the bloodstream, thereby bypassing the immune system's first line of defence—called the Th1 level of the immune system—in a “surprise attack” on the second line of defence—called the Th2 level—that is so distressing to the body it can cause anaphylactic shock. In nature, diseases are introduced into the body through the nose, mouth, skin and lungs, triggering a first line of defence that usually combats the illness before it ever reaches the bloodstream. Vaccines' repeated “back-door assaults” on the Th2 level of the immune system make it hyper-sensitive and compel it to react inappropriately to other normally harmless substances like peanuts; the result is a generation of children with damaged immune systems who suffer from food and environmental allergies, asthma and increasingly with life threatening anaphylactic disorders.

Vaccine injuries are underreported: Although there is a government system in place for reporting vaccine injuries, the medical profession does not encourage such reporting and there are no repercussions for doctors who choose not to report incidents. Doctors, who naturally do not want to admit participating in a practice that injures a child, often choose to deny or disregard even the most obvious connection between a sudden health issue and vaccine administration. As a result, it is known that vaccine injuries are drastically underreported (it is believed fewer than 10% of vaccine reactions are actually reported) so it is impossible to know just how many children are injured each year. Some researchers have linked Sudden Infant Death Syndrome to vaccines, and estimate that the *number of vaccine-related deaths per year greatly outnumbers deaths resulting from the childhood illnesses themselves*. Your doctor will likely tell you that “the benefits of vaccines outweigh the risks”; do not be lulled by this statement into assuming that someone else's child is at risk while your child will only benefit. Just ask the tens of thousands of parents living with the reality of a “vaccine damaged” child.

Childhood diseases are not necessarily bad: Vaccination assumes that childhood diseases such as measles, mumps, and chicken pox are dangerous and “bad”. Conversely, others believe that childhood disease naturally builds the immune system and that, in healthy children, these diseases are not dangerous. In fact, contracting them in childhood provides natural lifetime immunity to them and protects the body against more dangerous related adult diseases. For instance, shingles occurs when adults who have previously had chickenpox are no longer exposed to “boosting” doses of chickenpox in the community.

Immunization assumes it is okay to sacrifice a few for the good of many: Mass immunization is based upon a “herd mentality” in two ways: first, it implies that every person is the same and therefore every person should be medicated in the same way (indeed that everyone, healthy or not, *should* be medicated); second, it necessitates the belief that it is acceptable to sacrifice a few for the good of the majority. (The “few” parents of children injured or killed by vaccines likely beg to differ.)

Vaccine science assumes nature is flawed: The belief in the effectiveness of vaccines is based upon the idea that nature is fundamentally flawed and only science can save it—that, without help, the human immune system is incapable of protecting the body. Conversely, others believe that scientific interventions themselves are playing havoc with our health and that vaccines and other contaminants like air pollution, pesticides, flame retardant chemicals, fluorinated drinking water, genetically modified, overly processed foods, etc, etc, are poisoning our bodies. These toxins compromise our health and make us susceptible to illness.

Natural immunity is achieved through healthy living: Bottom line: There is evidence that vaccines are neither safe nor effective...and that immunization against relatively harmless childhood diseases may be responsible for the dramatic increase in autoimmune diseases as well as chronic illnesses like cancer. Again, these basic principles apply: feed the body with healthy sources of energy and don't poison it with toxins and it will protect and heal itself—without the need for pharmaceutical intervention. *The few studies undertaken have shown that unvaccinated children are healthier than vaccinated children.*

Vaccinations are NOT mandatory in Canada: Know your rights: “Unlike some countries, immunization is not mandatory in Canada; *it cannot be made mandatory because of the Canadian Constitution*. Only three provinces have legislation or regulations under their health-protection acts to require proof of immunization for school entrance. Ontario and New Brunswick require proof for diphtheria, tetanus, polio, measles, mumps, and rubella immunization. In Manitoba, only measles vaccination is covered. It must be emphasized that, in these three provinces, *exceptions are permitted on medical or religious grounds and reasons of conscience, legislation and regulations must not be interpreted to imply compulsory immunization.*” Source: *Immunization in Canada - Volume: 2354 - May 1997 - Canadian National Report on Immunization, 1996 Health Canada Website: http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/publicat/ccdr-rmtc/97vol23/23s4/23s4b_e.html*

Note: Ontario and New Brunswick offer exemption forms, which can be downloaded from the VRAN website: <http://vran.org/legal/forms.htm>

You DO have a choice; please exercise true informed consent.

“In order to understand the ‘safety’ of vaccines, you have to know several things, including how a baby's immune system works from birth onwards, and what vaccines do biochemically in the body. That work has never been done.”

“The only reason that the medical profession's basic ignorance about the immune system and vaccines hasn't been found out, is that parents don't know what doctors haven't studied. We assume that doctors wouldn't be doing something if they didn't know the basics.” *From Hilary Butler's book [Just a Little Prick](#), pages 444 & 447 respectively.*

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