

Dear CT Legislators,

I know everyone in this room is concerned about the health and safety of all children. Most of us here fight for informed consent because we believe the risks outweigh the benefits of vaccines. I have been trying to educate people for years and asking them to do research. The only way we have to protect the RIGHTS of ALL parents is to keep the choice. We are NOT anti-vax. We are pro-choice and informed consent.

Recently because of the school shootings I saw a MEME that said "no child should be asked to jump in front of a bullet for another child". But, isn't that what you are asking us to do? Aren't you asking my child to take a bullet for another child? I am going to have to say no thank you, you can not harm my child to save another child. All parents are required and expected to protect their own children. God entrusted us each with the children we were meant to raise. He gave us children with pure immune systems that were divinely created and if He thought aluminum and animal parts would be helpful to our ability to fight infections He would have put them in there in the first place.

So, the argument here is that my child, one with an amazing and pure immune system, is a threat to another child, one with a compromised immune system. I will pretend for a second that I am a mom of a child who has a compromised immune system. What I would do is work to build that immune system. I would detox them, move to an organic diet, and I would have them wear masks in public because the amount of infections in the world outnumber the amount of vaccines they could get. I would homeschool them because of the illnesses running through the CT school system from Sept to March, which coincidentally is "flu vaccine" season. I may even consider leaving CT to move to warmer climates. I would keep them FAR AWAY from recently vaccinated kids as they pose a larger risk than unvaxxed kids. I would do whatever I needed to do to take responsibility for MY child. What I would NOT do, is ask another mother to risk her child's health, to protect mine or ask her to knowingly inject her child with substances she believes to be harmful to her child. I would not ask her to go against her religion and convictions to protect my child. I would NEVER think my child is more important to the world than hers.

Vaccines contain poisons. A poison is a substance that is capable of causing the illness or death of a living organism when introduced or absorbed. To those of you forcing me to choose between vaccination or homeschooling please think about this. I either have to pull my kids out of an amazing school system or inject them with poison. The school system they are in is one that we pay A LOT of taxes for them to attend. I grew up in the town and chose to raise my kids there because of the school system and community. It is one with loving and caring teachers and administrative staff and one with kids that they have come to know and love. I now have to tell them that I either poison you and put your health at risk or pull you out of your school. It's an impossible decision.

I can't imagine putting them in the car and driving them to a doctors office to be injected with ingredients KNOWN to be harmful to kids. That doctor who has known my fears and concerns for 8 years will get out his vials of poison and knowingly go against my

wishes (which I can't even fathom doing as a doctor) and inject my kids so that they can continue to attend the school they love.

This country was founded on freedom. Do either of these choices sound like freedom to you? I feel bullied, intimidated and afraid for the future of my kids. For those of you on the panel standing up for our freedom and our rights I want to thank you. I appreciate your willingness to fight for the rights of all parents. I know many of you think vaccination is the answer and a good thing but you still know that our kids are OUR kids. I promise to continue to do all I can to keep my kids healthy so that they will grow up to be good members of society working to take care of their families. For those of you standing against our freedom, I ask you to reconsider asking my kids to take a bullet for other kids. In the end we will end up with more injured children. What will that do to our future?

Respectfully,

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