

February 11, 2020

Re: HB 2601

Dear Chairman Huebert,

As a concerned parent, I am writing to urge you to study the science of vaccines. There is a growing number of doctors who are choosing to stand up against big Pharma and talk about the dangers of vaccines. One such group is Physicians for Informed Consent (www.physiciansforinformedconsent.org). They have many science based resources on the topic of vaccines, which will give you the truth, rather than what Pharma wants you to know.

My grandfather was a chiropractor who raised my mother and her sister on a healthy diet with no vaccines. Today my mom and aunt are enjoying a healthy and active life in their 80's, free from medical problems, I believe largely due to their strong immunity which developed naturally. I followed with this health paradigm and have raised an amazingly healthy child without vaccinations. I want this freedom to choose for generations to come.

One concern many public officials have is the spread of disease, which brings in the idea of herd immunity. This idea came about by a doctor in the 1900's, BEFORE vaccines existed. I have included information on the true meaning of Herd Immunity below.

“The original theory of herd immunity had nothing to do with vaccination. The first mass vaccination campaigns for polio and measles in the United States, for example, did not occur until 1954-1955 and 1963 respectively.^{4 5 6} That's three decades after Hedrich constructed his theory. The underlying assumption of the theory was that a community as a whole would develop a certain degree of natural protection from an infectious disease after a portion of its members actually came down with the disease, recovered from it, and became immune to it.

In other words:

The more members of the herd (community) who were exposed to an infectious disease and developed natural immunity to it, the less of a threat that disease posed to the entire herd (community).⁷

Somewhere along the line between the 1930s and 1950s the theory of herd immunity was corrupted and resurrected as:

The more members of a herd (community who were vaccinated against an infectious disease and developed immunity to it, the less of a threat that disease posed to the entire herd (community).

Notice the clever sleight of hand there. Suddenly, the importance of exposure to an infectious disease was eliminated and replaced with vaccination, and the importance of natural immunity was diminished. That's a problem, because both of those elements are key to Hedrich's theory. Hedrich was not thinking about a vaccinated community or vaccine-induced —“temporary”—artificial immunity when he thought up his theory. He was thinking about the process of how a disease works its way through a community and how that community, eventually, naturally builds up a resistance to it as a result.

Dr. Hedrich would not recognize his theory today. He would likely be the first to speak up and say, “Uh, no, that's not at all what I had in mind. You missed the central point.”

Hedrich's theory of herd immunity has been twisted by the myth that vaccine acquired artificial immunity is identical to naturally acquired immunity, which is false. That myth serves to perpetuate the idea that only strict enforcement of mandatory vaccination laws will protect society from disease, which is also false.”

(article excerpted from **The Theory of Herd Immunity Has Nothing to Do With Vaccination**

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Please keep in mind the nature of the Pharmaceutical company is to make profits, which was so clearly evident in the Opioid crisis. There are no double blind placebo studies that have been done on vaccines, so they are not safe. Please consult VAERS (vaccine adverse reaction reporting system) www.vaers.hhs.gov to see the shocking number of reported injuries in 2018 (over 50,000, and many deaths).

The cost of the rising autism epidemic is not something Kansas needs to contribute to. The fact that the vaccine schedule has skyrocketed to include approximately 70 shots by the time someone is 18 years old must be considered when we look at the current state of children's health in the U.S.

Thank you for listening to the people and doctors who have done the science and the research.

Sincerely,

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