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Re: HB 2601

Dear education committee members,

As a nurse I followed the all protocols on how to introduce a vaccine to the patients to get the highest vaccination rates and spouted off the CDC propaganda as truth, without researching, and mostly ashamedly- without regard to patients personal medical history. It isn't required or enforced although there are many contraindications like past history of Gillian barre syndrome, history of autoimmune disease amongst many others. "Safe and effective. Your child will get whopping cough and die without the TDAP. If you don't get the flu vaccine you could be responsible for killing your grandma" All of these sound like hollow threats now, not informed consent. In school we learned: vaccines save lives, follow the schedule, the end. I had no idea of adverse reactions, VAERs reporting system, how to monitor for adverse effects, or what to do if you thought a patient was having a reaction. We act as though these things don't exist, and as a result only get as much information as what is on the flier we give patients to sign before vaccinating. Which is a shame considering I would be held accountable if something went wrong.

I always thought myself a good nurse, who gave her patients all the information, and truly advocated for what was best for them. I fully believed in informed consent. I was one of the only nurses who sat down and actually read the flyers to the patients when vaccinating. I shutter when I look back at the required flu clinics I participated in and the harm I may have done to someone.

Then I had a child of my own. Somewhere in the middle of researching organic laundry detergent and diy baby foods, it dawned on me that while I was so concerned with other ingredients in the products our family is using, I had no idea what was in vaccines. Being a labor and delivery and postpartum newborn care nurse, I did know that they were one of the first things a baby received when they entered the world. I started doing my own research. I started with the inserts. I found out that the flu and TDAP have never been tested on pregnant women or fetuses. They have never been tested for mutagenic or carcinogenic affects. They have no idea how it could effect your fertility. Then I found that in the years 2009-2010 there was a 4000x increase in miscarriage reports to VAERs. (Less than 1% of adverse reactions are reported to VAERs by the way, which does not surprise me, because as a medical professional, I had no idea it even existed until I started doing my own research.) The worst thing I found is the vaccine industry's tie to abortions. It is heartbreaking. As a Christian I am disgusted. That was the breaking point. I refuse to support this industry.

When we moved last year, finding a new job was hard. The flu vaccine is demanded. No one will hire you if they know and you risk losing your job if you get hired and decline the shot. There is not one study says flu statistics go down if your healthcare providers are vaccinated. This is the only industry where my employment is contingent upon getting a medical procedure. This is not informed consent. It is bullying your frontline healthcare providers. Yes, we have the religious exemption form, for now. Look at what is happening in New Jersey, New York, and California.

It is my fear that religious freedom will be used to come to fire in the name of "public health." I know abortion is wrong and I believe God created us perfectly in his image. He did not design us to need a vaccine, the body is a brilliant and resilient thing that we have barely scratched the surface of. We don't even know how exactly breast milk changes to fit the needs of each baby, we don't understand why certain drugs work the way they do. We pretend to know a lot. We are really good at faking.

There are so many facts and peer-reviewed studies I wish I could share with you that influenced my viewpoint change. But the most important things I want you to take away from this letter are:

1. The borderline neglect culture the medical community endures regarding vaccines. We are following protocol like good little nurses, being ostracized and discredited as a healthcare providers if we even dare to question, not knowing how many people we are hurting. This is not science, its not informed consent, and its not right.

2. The ties to the abortion industries, and the amount of people being forced to support something that blatantly goes against their religion, in order to support themselves.

America is suppose to be the land of the free. Mandates and forced medical procedures that violate my religious beliefs does not say freedom to me.

Thank you for your time,

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