

Vaccination; for Health or Profit? Part I

It seems like everywhere I go the issue of vaccination is currently discussed. Over the next few weeks, I will be writing a series of articles on the vaccine controversy in my Kids-First column. My articles are well researched, factual, and you are welcome to call our office for additional information.

Vaccination is a very contentious issue. Nothing in science is seen with more acceptance. As a chiropractor who deals mainly with children, and as a father of five wonderful, unshuffled,



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unvaccinated, healthy kids, I have great concern with this subject. Why am I doing this? My ethics. The information released to parents by health departments is very one sided - there is yet another side that most parents do not hear but should, before they decide to vaccinate their children.

Vaccination has been likened to a medical "sacrament" by the late Dr. Robert Mendelson, an outspoken North American pediatrician who has labelled himself as a "medical heretic."

Vaccination: the word itself conjures happy, smiling children lining up to receive their "shot" to keep them "safe and healthy." Millions of parents blindly subject their children to this ritual for it apparently bestows "protection" from bugs "out there." More and more parents however, along with the scientific and medical community, are beginning to question not only the validity of this protection, but also its efficacy and its risks.

If you are one who subscribes to the scientific prove-it-to-me-first, random, double-blind, scientific model, you are in for quite a shock! The theory of vaccination, and it is only a theory, has never been thoroughly tested and

proven. Yet it is a theory that many hold very dear to their hearts. Most of this hype is the direct result of massive marketing campaigns by the pharmaceutical and medical industry. As a matter of fact, any research being done on vaccines is funded by the drug industry and there is virtually no research done on vaccine hazards. Any studies that have been done, do not extend for more than a two-week period. Why? There are billions of dollars at stake. What a shock! As a matter of fact, there is no system in Canada for reporting vaccine damage and for compensating children who have been damaged by vaccination.

In the U.S., any vaccine damage and adverse events are reported to VAERS (Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System) which then handles such problems. However, any damage is often conveniently dismissed as coincidental, and parents of vaccine damaged children are made to feel guilty as though it is their fault their child "reacted badly" to a vaccine and is now brain damaged.

Too bad! I think most parents in our community would find something is very wrong with this. I agree. See you in two weeks for Part II



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Vaccination is based on essentially “fooling” the immune system: A “weakened” or killed virus is introduced into the body in the hope that it will stimulate the body to produce defense agents called antibodies which will then be able to protect the individual when the real thing comes along-in theory this makes total sense. Unfortunately, vaccination is plagued with many problems; immunity is not lasting, many people have serious complications, virtually no follow through on vaccine consequences, conflicts of interest, financial gain, just to name a few.



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If the theory of vaccination was successful there would be no need for “boosters.” Research has found that the body has specific “lines of defense”; ways of handling an invading “bug”. These are your skin and mucous lining, your antibodies, and your white blood cells. All of these need to be mobilized in a very exact sequence in order for your defense system to be most effective. Vaccination by-passes this sequence and as a result, does not give lasting immunity. That is one of the reasons why “boosters” are needed. Consider this: Alaska recently experienced a severe outbreak of measles - all cases occurring in a single high-school, and all among students already vaccinated against measles. As a result, the new CDC policy is that all students should now receive TWO doses of the measles vaccine. Brilliant!

Many parents, as well as the scientific community, are becoming uneasy regarding Vaccination. There is increasing evidence that vaccination shots actually impair the Function of the immune system. According to Howard Weiner, a Harvard immunologist, vaccination actually “skews” the activity of the immune system. He feels that a child’s immune system needs to be “exercised” otherwise a child may be more susceptible to serious health problems later in life. The childhood

diseases, such as measles, mumps, chickenpox, etc., actually exercise a child’s immature immune system. In adults, these diseases can be serious, but in a child, they actually play a very important role. They teach a child’s nervous system how to fight off an infection on its own. This is a good thing! Vaccination, on the other hand, does not exercise the immune system in this manner and may leave your child susceptible to more serious complications later in life. As a matter of fact we are now seeing a dangerous shift in the age groups getting measles, for instance. Children under 1 are coming down with measles which means that they did not obtain proper immunity from their mother’s breast milk. Why? The answer is that those mothers did not have antibodies for measles.

If you, as a parent, feel that there is something inherently wrong with injecting your child with a foreign, gene-altering substance, your gut instinct is correct! Recent research indicates that vaccination is responsible for the increasing numbers of autoimmune diseases seen: Everything from diabetes, asthma, autism, AIDS, cancer, etc.

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Vaccination: for Health or Profit? Part III

As I have mentioned in **Part II**, Bart Classen MD., is the world's foremost expert on the vaccine-diabetes connection. He feels that the risk of diabetes from vaccination far outnumbers any potential benefits. His study, published just this year in the British Medical Journal, revealed a **147%** increase in the rate of diabetes seen in approx. 116,000 vaccinated children.

In 1996, **ABC World News Tonight** aired a special report on common childhood vaccines and their relationship to diabetes.



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It warned parents that the risk of this disease has increased by **60%** in the US and Finland in children under 5 years old. The effects of vaccination on the production of diabetes, asthma, autism, polio (yes, the only cases of polio are from the vaccine itself), Aids, and even cancer, is becoming a worldwide issue. If you think this can't happen to your child, think again! According to Barbara Loe-Fisher, President of the National Vaccination Information Centre in Virginia, author, and personal friend, **"When it Happens to Your Child, the Risk is 100%"** & Edda West, who heads up Canada's **VRAN** (Vaccine Risk Awareness Network), agrees.

Despite overwhelming evidence to the contrary, most parents are still led to believe that vaccination is "good for you" and there are "minimal risks". Although the immediate reactions to vaccination can be life-threatening, diabetes and other autoimmune diseases may not surface for months or years to come.

Lets look at the "logic" of some vaccines; did you know that the MMR (measles) vaccine can lower your child's immune system for up to four

years after it is administered? It can also set up a persistent infection in the intestine which can lead to Leaky-gut syndrome and Crohn's disease. Not popular side effects!

You have most likely wondered what Hepatitis is all about. It is a liver disease seen only in adults and only among those using needle street drugs, those exposed to contaminated blood products, and sexually promiscuous individuals. It is **NOT** a childhood disease; is **NOT** highly contagious; and is not a killer. The Health Dept. and your physician request that your baby receive the Hepatitis vaccine to protect him/her. Most authorities, however, agree that a child's immune system is very immature and the benefits of this vaccine only last for 5-9 years. If this is fact, why give it to children?

Is there a growing concern of your child being promiscuous and using needles and drugs in grade one? Or is there a hidden agenda?

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Vaccination: for Health or Profit? Part IV

This is to be my concluding article for this series. I know that the topic of vaccination has been a bit long, but there is so much to say. I strongly feel it is important that parents are made aware so they can make an informed decision. As an American I am a huge fan of our freedom of choice.



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Did the Health Department omit to tell you about the small detail of choice?

If you as a parent have any questions or concerns on the issue of vaccination, I would like to invite you into our office. Since this is such a huge topic with so much information I am always more than willing to sit down and chat. I also want to thank everyone and let you know that I have really appreciated all of your phone calls. It is my sincere hope that you have found some of the answers that you were searching for.

For all the readers I have not spoken with, I would also like to offer a few more questions and topics that I would recommend parents to research before making this very important decision.

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