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Dear IRRC,

ENOUGH, ENOUGH, ENOUGH! We again request no reduction to only a 5 day reporting period against the wishes of citizens, school administrators, school nurses. NO need for yet another pertussis vaccine, and NO ETHICAL PLACE AT ALL for the addition of a meningitis vaccine that by the CDC's own numbers causes more death and injury than those without the vaccines.

PLEASE END THIS CONSTANT fixation upon additional vaccines and immunization regulation.

As the nation of the world with indisputably the most intensive childhood vaccination schedule, and, sadly, the highest infant mortality rates, I can positively and affirmatively say that the UNITED STATES HAS ENOUGH VACCINES ALREADY INSTATED IN THE CDC'S current schedule for children's bodies.

My husband and I affirm moderate vaccination schedules as wise public health policy, *always accompanied by unshakeable statutory access to religious and philosophical exemptions*. However, what feels like Pennsylvania's subtle but CONSTANT push to raise the number and frequency of vaccinations erode much of my remaining trust in the objectivity and independent status of my Pennsylvania decision making bodies.

LENGTHEN THE REPORTING PERIOD FROM 5 DAYS TO 60 DAYS ON BEHALF OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS AND PARENTS:

Specific to the IRRC's call for comments on the proposed changes to immunization regulations, there remain distressing points following the period of public comment, and the PA Department of Health's response to these public comments. Firstly, though over 2/3 of the public commenters, INCLUDING SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS, NURSES, and PARENTS, have opposed this arbitrary proposed decrease from an 8 month reporting period to a mere 5 days, the

public health department refuses to modify its timing. *Here, we have an unelected body of pushing a policy that a majority of public stakeholders opposed.*

If school children are in any way ill or immuneocompromised, 5 days reporting period after busy, often-travel filled summers would be *irresponsible* time to demand multiple vaccinations. As you may or may not know, many of the most severe vaccine reactions and deaths occur precisely when multiple vaccines are given in a short period of time. A more reasonable and ethical reporting period would be 60-70 days. 5 days is unethical, arbitrary, and not the wish of school administrators who will serve as hounds, severing vital parent-administrator relationships. LENGTHEN IT FROM 5 DAYS to 60!

NO ADDITIONAL VACCINES, PARTICULARLY THE RISKY MENINGITIS VACCINE:

Equally distressing to me is the push to add a further pertussis vaccine to the current, already over-full vaccine schedule, and most distressingly, the proposal to add an acknowledgedly dangerous meningitis vaccine.

THE PA LEGISLATURE HAD PREVIOUSLY REJECTED THE CALL TO MANDATE THE MENINGITIS VACCINE, and now this unelected body is again pushing to mandate it. BY THE CDC'S OWN PINK BOOK STATISTICS, THIS VACCINE PRODUCES MORE DEATH AND INJURY THAN THE DEATH AND INJURY PRODUCED IN UNVACCINATED HIGHSCHOOL POPULATIONS. This measure to mandate a statistically risky and dangerous vaccine against the evidence of facts is wholly unethical. NO MENINGITIS VACCINE MANDATE. Where there is risk, there MUST be consent.

REVOLUTION IN THE TASKS OF THE PA HEALTH DEPARTMENT: I here ask you as a member of the PA legislature to validate your commitment as a public servant to independent, unbiased, and accountable service by making membership in the PA Department of Health an elected office, and that you would commission to the body to turn its attention away from what seems to be its fixation on vaccines, and move towards the ethical, long-overdue exploration of establishing protocols for routine PRE-vaccination mitochondrial testing and gut stabilization, especially for children. Secondly, please task this health committee with the charge to rigorously consider the humane and long, long-overdue removal of the Hep. B day of birth vaccine as a measure towards getting our infant mortality rates down to the levels of other first world countries. I challenge the health department to see if those two small changes along can really affect the positive health outcomes that PA seeks.

Charging you to do what is right,

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