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# ATTN: TEXAS SENATE

## MEET THE VICTIMS – OPPOSE HB 1316

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### Doctor's Children Not Immune to Vaccine Reactions

***Three Out of Four Children in the Young Family Have  
Life Threatening Reactions to State Mandated Vaccines***

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County: Montgomery

Senator: Tommy Williams

Representative: Rob Eissler

No one wants a child to suffer for any reason. We are both health professionals and quite aware of the diseases we are trying to prevent.

We fully vaccinated our first three children with all the vaccines. Our twins were vaccinated simultaneously. They reacted simultaneously, and yet their illnesses were deemed a coincidence. Fevers of 105 degrees, high-pitched screams, and a complete personality change the next day is not a coincidence. We were never given medical exemptions. On the contrary, we were told we needed to continue as scheduled. Unfortunately we listened to our physician, and our twins were left with all the signs of autism at two years of age following their booster shots. We hardly had time to concern ourselves with autism. Daily we were dealing with rashes, gastrointestinal upset, severe joint pain, breathing difficulties, migraine headaches, ear infections, symptoms of chronic viral infections, night terrors, hearing tests, CT scans, EEG, allergy testing, and much more. The physicians were baffled.

Despite our family history, our fourth child was given DTaP and IPV at six months of age. He had never been vaccinated prior to that day and was the picture of health. Within hours he fell ill. Over the course of two months he suffered seizures, hives, vomiting, diarrhea, excessive urination, extreme fussiness, and apnea. He no longer babbled, smiled, or interacted with others. Once more we were faced with ER bills, CT scan, EEG, and blood tests.



*5<sup>th</sup> Grader Kathryn Young with her younger brothers and sister who all had life threatening reactions to state mandated vaccines.*

**HB 1316 mandates that Texas babies and children in daycare be subjected to 6 more shots: 2 vaccine doses for Hepatitis A virus and 4 vaccine doses for Pneumococcal bacteria.**

**These vaccines are already available to any parent in Texas who wants them for their child – they don't need to be forced by law to ultimately hurt some children not at risk for serious outcomes of Hepatitis A or Pneumococcal illnesses.**

**Private insurance companies are already mandated to provide first-dollar coverage for state mandated vaccines and HB 1316 increases the number of shots required for use and coverage in daycare from 18 to 24! Smaller insurance companies who can't afford to absorb the costs will be forced to raise rates making premiums less affordable for many Texas families and pricing them out of the marketplace.**

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His was the first reaction to be officially recognized by a physician, but once again no one knew how to treat him.

We went through several insurance companies. Our rates would soar soon after a round of testing. We have to continually shop for a better plan. Currently our family coverage costs us roughly \$1300 per month and we receive mediocre care. My husband, a physician, works hard to provide coverage for us and for his staff.

At least two-thirds of Americans are faced with medical bills that insurance does not cover, and many don't even have insurance because they can't afford the premiums. Adding to the list of vaccines required by law will only increase premiums and add to the burden most Texans already face. All mandated vaccines must be covered by insurance. Once again the small insurance companies trying to compete for small business dollars will be forced to increase rates making businesses and individuals look elsewhere. The large companies will not complain, because they can take this opportunity to force the competition out of the marketplace.

Since we have told our story to others we have found that many families we know have been suffering in silence as well. Parents simply do not want to believe that vaccination has harmed their children in such a hideous way. We do everything in our power to protect them then we pay someone to harm them.

We strongly urge you to oppose HB 1316. These vaccines are available to anyone who wants them. More vaccine mandates are a losing proposition for Texas families and small businesses. Thank you for your time.



Dr. Clay Young and his family visit the capitol to educate legislators on the vaccine reactions suffered by his children to state mandated vaccines. He testifies that doctors are not educated enough on vaccine risks.

## Did you know that ...

- ... **HB 1316 is a hidden insurance mandate** because the Insurance Code §1367.053 (a) (2) requires that if a vaccine is mandated for use, insurance companies are required to cover it!
- ... **state health insurance mandates drive up the cost of policies and increase the number of uninsured and Texas already leads the nation in the number of residents without health insurance coverage!**
- ... the private sector provider wholesale cost for the required 2 doses of Hepatitis A vaccine is almost \$60 and the required 4 doses of P pneumococcal vaccine is over \$260 with **patient retail prices for these 2 vaccines over \$600 for all 6 doses!**
- ... According to the CDC, **only 2% of all cases of Hepatitis A are from children or providers in day care settings.**
- ... in several studies, use of pneumococcal conjugate vaccines caused non-vaccine strains to become more common, raising concerns that Prevnar could eventually become ineffective even in the U.S. Of 90 known pneumococcal strains, Prevnar only covers seven.
- ... Hepatitis A vaccine is manufactured using cell lines derived from aborted fetal cells (MRC5) and that residual MRC5 cellular proteins are present in the final vaccine injected into babies and children. (see vaccine package insert)
- ... **only 3 states mandate Hepatitis A vaccine for daycare!** (AK, AZ, OK) and **only 3 states mandate Pneumococcal vaccine for daycare!** (ID, ME, TN)  
[http://www.immunizationinfo.org/vaccineInfo/vaccine\\_detail.cfv?id=3#statereq](http://www.immunizationinfo.org/vaccineInfo/vaccine_detail.cfv?id=3#statereq)
- ... the fiscal note shows that this bill will **cost the state over \$15 million dollars** over the next 5 years!

### Parents Requesting Open Vaccine Education

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PROVE provides information on vaccines, and immunization policies and practices that affect the children and adults of Texas. Our mission is to prevent vaccine injury and death and to promote and protect the right of every person to make informed independent vaccination decisions for themselves and their family. PROVE represents thousands of members concerned about the health and safety of their children and families.

## **Vaccine Reactions from a Child's Perspective - Oppose HB 1316**

Dear Texas Legislature,

I read the contents of coke from a can today. A coke contains carbonated water, high fructose corn syrup, sucrose, caramel color, phosphoric acid, natural flavors, and caffeine. One can contains 39 grams of sugar. All my friends drink some sort of soft drink with caffeine. I choose to not drink it because I do not think it is good for me. If someone reads the can and drinks the coke anyway that is their choice, but I choose to drink water.

My sister is struggling to read because my parents were not given the chance to read the contents of vaccines until it was too late. She was healthy until she was given a Hepatitis B vaccine when she was 10 days old. She went to sleep with one spot on her tummy and woke up covered in spots all over her body. She was diagnosed with Urticaria Pigmentosa. It is like one large, continuous allergy attack. My mom was told by doctors that my sister was at even greater risk from childhood diseases and should be vaccinated.

My parents listened to the doctors. My younger brothers and sister have now reacted to every shot they were given. After the last shots needed for admission to Kindergarten they were so sick they could not go to Kindergarten.

One day they were happy and healthy, the next day they were very sick. With a lot of work they would get better, but then they would get shots again.

More than once we thought they might die. No one helped them. I can understand saying "NO" to drugs, but why do schools tell us to say "NO" then make us be injected with something just as bad? We are told to not bully then we are bullied by the adults who are suppose to be helping us. I am just glad I have my parents as examples.

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