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Dedication

To those who paid the price.

I cannot comprehend how a parent can go on after their child is killed or badly damaged.

I hear those parents tell their stories, show photographs, or quietly push wheelchairs holding their once perfect babies at vaccine conferences; I stare at them with awe.

They stand in defiance of government and pharmaceutical denials. No amount of so-called “scientific” studies “disproving” vaccine damage can deny these tragic lives.

No amount of paper can cover those graves.

Because of their stories perhaps my children or yours were spared the same fate. It is to these parents and their children that this book owes its genesis.

This book is also dedicated to my wife Beth who patiently waited as I studied and researched the childhood vaccination philosophy and whose insights and ideas have been invaluable. And to our children Seth and Shayna who were the reasons why I first became so interested in this subject.

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Foreword

American politics since 1789 has seen a series of successful efforts by the majority to curb the crimes and depredations of one minority after another.

The overweening influence and unchecked excesses of the railroads led to passage of the Interstate Commerce Act in the 1880s. The power of the liquor industry sparked passage of the prohibition law in 1922 and the errors and incompetence of the stockbrokers during the 1929 crash led Roosevelt to propose the Securities and Exchange Commission in 1934. Numerous other such laws and regulations have been adopted by Congress but have not loomed as large in the public consciousness.

The learned professions, however, have been largely excluded from this process because would-be reformers have not trusted their own ability to legislate rules for such highly technical areas.

Possession of technical knowledge has shielded medicine, in particular, from society's normal response to errors and abuse. Needed were scientists and scholars who would provide the database for the needed reform effort.

Dr. Koren's "Childhood Vaccinations: Questions All Parents Should Ask" shows us how dearly society has paid for this foot-dragging. It is a summary of the history to date of society's indignant refusal to be further victimized by the medical profession's childhood vaccination program.

Your and my grandchildren and great grandchildren, reading this book later in this century will ask themselves, “How could they ever have let such things happen?” The harm being done, after all, was perfectly evident to anyone who chose to look, specifically to anyone who was not tied financially to the perpetrators of all this evil.

Alas, the pharmaceutical industry is a past master at bribing or otherwise buying out any present or future critics of its sins using techniques which it elaborated during its 19th century assault on the homeopathic profession (the “alternative medicine” of those times) and then further perfected in its fight against osteopathy and chiropractic.

Their techniques have included in particular, pressuring and persuading journalists and columnists who start out in life giving advice on how to get along with your mother-in-law and then, for unclear reasons come to imagine themselves qualified to give their readers advice on such technical matter as vaccinations.

Needless to say, they do not read up on this issue, just merely make a phone call to some friend who is now chairman of a department of immunology somewhere. In this way they become spokesmen or spokeswoman for the drug industry – which thus acquires employees without having to pay for them.

In fact, the medical profession and drug industry perfected a system of censorship unmatched anywhere in the world outside the Soviet Union.

The first scratchings on this Berlin Wall of Silence were the books by Robert Mendelsohn in *Confessions of a Medical Heretic* (1979) by Barbara Loe Fisher and myself in *DPT: A Shot in the Dark* (1985), and by myself in *Vaccination, Social Violence and Criminality* (1990). Since then the walls have been tumbling down faster and faster as more and more information comes to light, information which has been very ably summarized by Dr. Koren in this admirable book which your grandchildren and mine will call the very last word on

the subject of childhood vaccination. Read it if your blood pressure will permit.

— Harris L. Coulter, Ph.D.
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Preface

Childhood Vaccination: Medical Sacrament or Golden Calf?

The greatest threat of childhood diseases lies in the dangerous and ineffectual efforts made to prevent them through mass immunization.... There is no convincing scientific evidence that mass inoculations can be credited with eliminating any childhood disease.... While the myriad short-term hazards of most immunizations are known (but rarely explained), no one knows the long-term consequences of injecting foreign proteins into the body of your child. Even more shocking is the fact that no one is making any structured effort to find out. Have we traded mumps and measles for cancer and leukemia?

— Robert Mendelsohn, M.D.,

How To Raise A Healthy Child In Spite Of Your Doctor
(Chicago: Contemporary Books 1984)

Today the major threat to our children's health is not infectious disease but chronic illnesses of the immune, nervous and other organ systems. We see epidemics of allergies, asthma, autism, developmental disorders, learning disabilities, attention deficit disorders and hyperactivity (ADD/ADHD), cancer, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy, eating disorders, diabetes, epilepsy, Tourette's syndrome, stuttering, anorexia and bulimia...the list is long and

depressing. Most of these conditions were rare or unknown before mass vaccination and there is increasing evidence that it's not a coincidence that this is so.

As Jane Orient, M.D., executive director of the Association of American Physicians & Surgeons, stated in an address to the Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources of the Committee on Government Reform U.S. House of Representatives (June 14, 1999):

Asthma and insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus, causes of lifelong morbidity and frequent premature death, have nearly doubled in incidence since the introduction of many new, mandatory vaccines....

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the U.S. Government recommends that healthy children are to be injected with *at least 45* vaccines by the age of six months, *at least 64* vaccines by 18 months of age and *at least 74* vaccines by the time they are ready for school (4-6 years of age). We say *at least* because children six months of age are now recommended to take yearly flu shots – the first shot is a series of two, one month apart. (Recommended childhood and adolescent immunization schedule – United States, July – December 2004. *MMWR Weekly*. April 30, 2004/53(16);Q1-Q3 www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5316-Immunizational.htm)

In addition, there are over 200 different vaccines currently in development. Are we justified in turning our children into pincushions?

Although health agencies of the U.S. government are given the charge to both promote vaccination coverage and investigate vaccine adverse effects they have been largely ignoring their second mandate. However, while they “sleep” an increasing amount of clinical, scientific and medical findings are calling into question the safety and efficacy of this medical procedure.

As the number of vaccines given to our children has increased, we have not seen a corresponding improvement in health. On the contrary, children today are sicker than ever and as our intensively vaccinated population ages we find that chronic disease is increasingly widespread.

*In 1987, 90 million Americans were living with chronic conditions, 39 million of whom were living with more than 1 chronic condition. The majority of persons with chronic conditions are not disabled, nor are they elderly. Chronic conditions affect all ages. Because persons with chronic conditions have greater health needs at any age, their costs are disproportionately high. (Hoffman C, Rice D, Sung H. Persons with chronic conditions. *Journal of the American Medical Association*. 1996; 276(180):1473-1479.)*

Are vaccines, an 18th century medical procedure, the cause of this explosion of chronic diseases? Are we unwittingly creating a generation of chronically ill children?

I believe that we must pause in this mad dash to vaccinate every child with increasing numbers of vaccines and carefully re-evaluate what we have been doing. This re-evaluation must be done by independent scientists or researchers.

More and more parents are questioning the wisdom of injecting known toxins into their children. They must continue to be free to openly question this procedure since it is they who must live with the consequences of their healthcare decisions – not their doctors or nurses, not government bureaucrats, not politicians, nor the American Medical Association all of whom force or intimidate people into accepting childhood vaccination.

The freedom to choose one's healthcare should be a basic right of a free people.

— Tedd Koren, D.C.

Introduction

The Philosophies of Health

Vitalism (Empiricism) vs. Mechanism (Rationalism)

Childhood vaccination is an extreme application of a pseudo-religious philosophy of life and health.

Modern Western Medicine (allopathy) is based on philosophical premises that practitioners and researchers cling to as rigidly as any religious fundamentalist.

For example, it believes that your living body can be understood by studying it as if it were a lifeless machine. “Know the parts and you’ll know the whole. The whole is merely the sum of its parts.” This philosophy is called Mechanism or Rationalism.

There is an alternative belief system known as Vitalism or Empiricism. It believes that your body is more than the sum of its parts and the whole exhibits qualities that the individual parts cannot. “You can only know the whole by studying the whole. The whole is greater than the sum of its parts.”

Many of today’s “natural” disciplines such as traditional chiropractic, osteopathy, homeopathy, acupuncture, Chinese and Ayurvedic (Indian) Medicine and others follow this vitalistic belief system.

Philosophical differences between vitalism and mechanism:

- Vitalism: The body is intelligent and behaves so. Living creatures *respond* and *learn*—things a mere collection of chemicals can never do.
- Mechanism: The body is a mere collection of chemicals obeying general laws of chemistry, physics and mechanics.
- Vitalism: Illness is a reactive, curative response and symptoms are beneficial phenomena which should not be suppressed or eliminated.
- Mechanism: Symptoms are harmful and must be removed or combated.
- Vitalism: Strengthen the patient's powers of resistance and compensate for the predisposition to become ill.
- Mechanism: Fight the "disease."

Medical historian Harris L. Coulter, Ph.D., in his four-volume magnum opus *Divided Legacy*, discusses the 2,500+ years battle between these philosophies and reveals that the pendulum of acceptance and power has swung between them.

Mechanism's recent domination began early in this century, however its limitations and extremes (of which childhood vaccine is one example) have resulted in many individuals turning to the vitalist approach found in many alternative healing practices gaining wide acceptance today. We appear to be in a transition period today. Historically the swing to vitalism has helped spark needed reforms in mechanism.

Vaccination is an expression of orthodox medicine's mechanistic philosophy that believes that germs (bacteria, viri etc.) are the cause of disease, symptoms are bad and must be suppressed, and it's safe (and possible) to manipulate one system, the immune system, by introducing toxic chemicals into the body.

Here are some ways in which mechanism and vitalism differ in practice:

Mechanism: Germs cause disease, so let's kill the germs and there won't be any more disease.

Vitalism: Germs can only grow out of control in fertile soil. Even in the worst of epidemics, the vast majority of the population does not become ill. Further it is impossible to kill all the germs on earth; nor should we. Microorganisms are part of a vastly complex ecosystem that we do not fully understand. By trying to kill them we may cause other problems. For example, antibiotics have unwittingly created “super germs” that are resistant to antibiotics and rampant in medical establishments. Now one in ten individuals who enter a hospital acquires a hospital infection which can be deadly, causing an estimated 103,000 deaths per year in hospitals.

Mechanism: We are made of separate parts so we can tamper with one of our parts and not affect any other body part. We can inject materials directly into people and give them a tiny infection to prevent their getting a major infection.

Vitalism: The body is divided into systems for convenience of study. It is impossible to tamper with one system and leave the other systems unaffected. Introducing bacteria, viri and toxins into the bloodstream, bypassing the mucous membranes (an important part of your immune system) is unnatural and dangerous.

Mechanism: Acute infectious disease is bad and symptoms must be suppressed.

Vitalism: Fever, rash and other signs of inflammation are the body’s way of cleansing, strengthening and healing itself. Suppression of these acute symptoms generally interferes with healing and may result in chronic disease later in life.

Mechanism: Drugs restore the body to health.

Vitalism: Healing comes from within. Your body is the world’s greatest drugstore making all the medicines you need to live your life to its fullest. The healer’s job is to remove anything which interferes with your body’s optimal function.

Part One

1 *Prologue*

Prologue

When my son Seth was born I was against having him vaccinated. Initially my thinking was that vaccinations were unnatural, did not confer true immunity and had the potential to hurt my child. I thought it safer to take a chance with disease.

But...in the back of my mind, as family members questioned our decision, I began to wonder: “Am I really doing the right thing? Am I endangering him in some way? Is it worth bucking the system? What if something should happen?”

I wanted to ground my philosophical opposition to vaccination with sound scientific research. As a caring parent I began exploring this issue. It didn't take long before I realized that I opened a can of worms.

To my shock and fascination I discovered that the world of vaccination was not one of objective, compassionate scientists creating accurate research to understand this issue; it was not one of caring politicians, concerned pharmaceutical houses and well-informed healthcare professionals objectively studying vaccine safety and efficacy.

Instead I found a world filled with conflicts of interest – people who make money from vaccines in charge of promoting them, scientists who depend on pharmaceutical houses for their grants

producing sloppy “scientific” papers filled with skewed statistics that even professional statisticians can’t figure out, political intrigue, bad laws, violations of constitutional rights and healthcare professionals who are poorly trained in this issue.

This is a world full of “junk science” with professionals giving advice to patients based on that science or drug company advertisements. It is a world of denial. It is a world that threatens professionals with damage to their careers if they stray from accepted medical dogma.

But there is another world of vaccination.

A world populated by dead babies, damaged children, shattered lives, wounds that will never heal. A world of grieving, angry parents who gave birth to healthy infants that will never be the son or daughter they were meant to be. Many of these parents have no idea their child was vaccine damaged and instead blame themselves (bad genes) or “bad luck.”

When it comes to the vaccine decision, parents are often led to believe that they didn’t have a choice, or weren’t given the information that was available for them to make a fair choice (i.e. they were not fully informed).

The world of vaccination raises many unanswered questions. Among the most ominous: are we damaging the genes of our children, grandchildren and still future generations?

Almost four years after Seth arrived we were blessed with our daughter Shayna. By then I was convinced we had done the right thing by not vaccinating Seth; Shayna would also remain untouched by this medical procedure.

Both children are free of allergies, ear infections, skin conditions, asthma and learning problems, unlike some of their cousins and many of their classmates.

As of this writing the world of vaccination is changing at a dizzying pace. There have been congressional hearings on the safety of vaccination, an approved vaccine (rotavirus) was pulled from the market for safety reasons, and vaccines are being reformulated to remove mercury in them.

While we have yet to see the wall of mandatory vaccination fall in the US, cracks are beginning to appear in what has formerly been a vast monolithic force as more parents are studying and openly questioning this issue.

Following are some of the more salient questions. They involve some of the basic issues surrounding the decision whether one should or should not have their child vaccinated.

Questions For Our Children

(To ask your M.D. or yourself)

1. Are vaccinated children healthier than non-vaccinated children?
2. Do vaccines have any long-term side effects or damage that may not surface for months or years?
3. Does research show vaccines are safe?
4. Can vaccines cause cancer or fertility problems?
5. Do vaccines cause SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome also known as Crib Death)?
6. What are the chances that my child may be hurt or killed by a vaccine?
7. Do the assumed benefits of vaccination outweigh the risks?
8. Didn't vaccines get rid of acute infectious childhood diseases?
9. What about polio? Wasn't it eliminated due to vaccination?
10. Was the polio shot given in the 50's and 60's contaminated with monkey virus? Is it causing cancer?
11. Is vaccination why we have so much cancer today?
12. Are there benefits to a child having acute infectious childhood diseases?
13. Are the ingredients in vaccines safe?
14. How do vaccines work on a cellular level? How do vaccines affect the immune system/nervous system on a cellular level? How do vaccines cause damage on a cellular level?
15. Do vaccines affect genetic material? Are we hurting future generations?
16. Is there a conflict of interest in vaccine policy decisions?
17. Can a person legally avoid vaccinations?
18. Is there hope for the future?