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Letter in Support of Dr. Jovana Stojkovic

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To whom it may concern,

I am a neuroscientist and researcher who has conducted clinical research in children with neurodevelopmental disorders for the past 20 years. I have over 80 peer-reviewed scientific research publications and I am a member of the American College of Epidemiology.

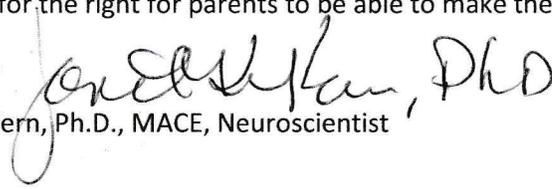
My research includes several studies that have examined vaccines. My colleagues and I have reported on both the beneficial aspects of vaccines (such as vaccine effectiveness) as well as the potential risks related to vaccines. After many years of studying vaccines I can say that vaccines can have both benefits and risks. I maintain that because there is inherent risk to vaccinating that it should be the decision of the parent. I have, through my clinical research, worked with many vaccine injured children and I know that it is the parents that suffer the brunt of care and financial burden.

The risks of vaccinating today are compounded by the current socio-political environment. For instance, vaccine manufacturing is a multi-billion-dollar industry with little no oversight due to extremely limited liability. In addition, China has been, in recent years, getting more manufacturing contracts to where most vaccines are now made in China. China, if you recall, has had baby formula recalled three times for toxic contamination due to the presence of high levels of melamine, mercury, and pesticides, which are all deadly (and many infant deaths were reported).

It is also my understanding that Serbia is not one of the nations that has banned Thimerosal which creates additional concerns. You may recall that Thimerosal has been banned in Russia, Denmark, Austria, Japan, Great Britain and all the Scandinavian countries. It is banned in childhood vaccines in the United States. The are to date, 237 studies that show harm from Thimerosal, including six studies conducted by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that show Thimerosal is associated with tic disorders.

It is my understanding that the Serbian Chamber of Medicine initiated the procedure of revoking Dr. Jovana Stojkovic's medical license due to her fight for vaccine freedom of choice. As a firm believer in parental rights in vaccine choice, I ask that you discontinue the procedure of revoking Dr. Jovana Stojkovic's medical license. She has not advised anyone to not receive any vaccine. She has only been speaking for the right for parents to be able to make the choice on vaccinating.

Sincerely,

  
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