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Dear Oregon Legislatures,

My name is Maeshowe Pierce and I am a Primary Care Physician in McMinnville. I am deeply concerned about mandatory vaccinations. I have seen children with small and severe vaccine injuries in my practice. I, myself, have severe reactions to the flu vaccine and rhogam vaccine. My children are both allergic to egg, which is in some of the vaccines. Under the suggested new law, they would still not be able to get an exemption from those vaccines.

Gardasil is another one of my top concerns as a mom and practitioner. It's safety record is not good. It is also baffling to me that children would be required to receive a vaccine that prevents sexually transmitted diseases. I do not feel the government has any right to dictate my children's sexual safety practices. This would be akin to making birth control mandatory regardless of sexual activity. It does not make sense.

And where does it stop? The CDC just announced that they are adding the anthrax vaccine to their schedule. Will this be required for our kids?

I feel we should leave vaccination conversations between doctors and their patients. I can help families determine when and what vaccines are a good fit for their children with the least amount of harm and maximum public health safety. That is our code of ethics as doctors. Do No Harm.

I urge you to listen to my words and the words of others fighting to have medical freedom and VOTE NO ON HB 3063. This is not an anti vaccination conversation. This is about health, choice and medicine being left to doctors, not the government.

Sincerely,

Dr. Maeshowe Pierce