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Dear Representatives,

My name is Dr. Kacie Flegal, I am a Chiropractic Physician practicing in Ashland, OR.

I am writing you in regard to Bill HB 3063 that seeks to remove all exemptions except medical exemptions for vaccines.

I am deeply concerned about this bill and would like to express my opposition to it. I urge you to oppose this bill for the following reasons:

- 1) Mandating vaccination and removing the right to be exempt due to philosophical or religious reasons will impact the current 31,521 students in OR who are enrolled and have filed a non-medical exemption. Since SB-277 California has significantly suffered with declining enrollment.

Mitch Greenlick's bill will require parents to comply with every vaccine on the Oregon Health Authority's schedule, and any future vaccines added (expect to see Flu and HPV very soon). If they don't, their child will not be able to attend school in Oregon.

IMPACT ON SCHOOL ATTENDANCE, GREENLICK FORCED VACCINATION BILL

<u>Child</u>	<u>Vaccinations received (doses)</u>	<u>School status in Oregon</u>
Child 1, fully compliant	DTaP (5), Tdap (1), Polio (4), Varicella (2), MMR (2), Hepatitis B (3), Hepatitis A (2), Hib (4)	→ May attend school
Child 2, parents weigh risk of each disease	DTaP (5), Tdap (1), Polio (4), MMR (2), Hib (4)	→ Must be homeschooled
Child 3, parents only concerned about measles	MMR (2)	→ Must be homeschooled

31,521 children who filed exemptions will be excluded from Oregon's schools if Mitch Greenlick's Forced Vaccination Bill Passes

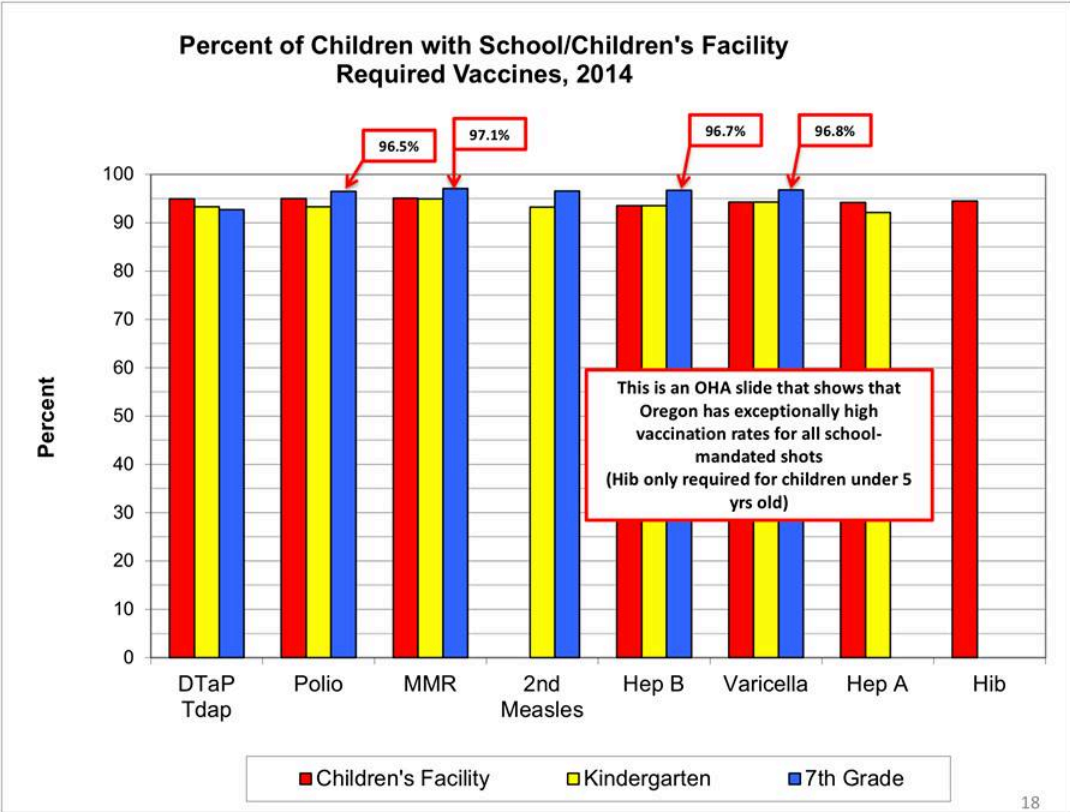
2) Currently, Oregon has extremely high MMR rates across all counties.

The Oregon Health Authority just released MMR vaccination rates by county in Oregon, leading to an obvious question: why do we need a new law to force parents to vaccinate?

County	Adjusted Enrollment ¹	% Measles 2 ²	% Complete ³	% Any Medical Exemption ⁴	% Any Nonmedical Exemption ⁵	% Nonmedical Exemption: Measles ⁶	% NME: All ⁷
Baker	2127	94.6%	91.5%	0.2%	5.5%	4.2%	2.9%
Benton	11354	96.0%	93.7%	0.1%	5.5%	3.9%	2.5%
Clatsop	61100	95.4%	93.1%	0.1%	5.9%	4.5%	2.9%
Clatsop	5095	95.8%	93.6%	0.1%	4.7%	3.7%	2.7%
Columbia	7664	96.4%	94.5%	0.1%	4.9%	3.4%	2.0%
Coos	7925	97.0%	94.9%	0.2%	3.7%	2.5%	1.4%
Crook	3021	96.5%	95.2%	0.1%	3.8%	3.2%	1.9%
Curry	2868	93.9%	91.2%	0.1%	7.0%	5.8%	3.8%
DeSchutes	27408	94.4%	91.2%	0.1%	7.0%	5.5%	3.5%
Douglas	14529	95.2%	93.6%	0.1%	5.2%	3.9%	2.6%
Gresham	861	93.5%	90.6%	0.2%	8.1%	6.4%	3.7%
Hantony	1101	97.1%	96.0%	0.0%	3.1%	2.5%	1.9%
Harney	4229	96.5%	94.7%	0.0%	4.5%	3.4%	1.9%
Jackson	32006	92.9%	89.4%	0.2%	8.2%	6.5%	4.2%
Jefferson	3921	97.9%	96.9%	0.0%	2.5%	1.9%	1.0%
Josephine	11841	91.3%	89.1%	0.1%	10.1%	8.5%	7.2%
Klamath	10028	96.9%	95.1%	0.1%	3.1%	2.4%	1.3%
Lane	1103	97.6%	95.6%	0.2%	3.4%	2.2%	1.4%
Lane	46466	95.6%	93.7%	0.1%	5.5%	4.3%	3.0%
Lane	18859	97.4%	95.0%	0.1%	3.9%	2.4%	1.4%
Malheur	5459	97.2%	95.5%	0.2%	3.5%	2.6%	1.6%
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Marion	57228	97.0%	95.4%	0.1%	3.7%	2.9%	1.9%
Morrow	2454	98.9%	96.7%	0.1%	1.1%	0.8%	0.4%
Multnomah	101777	95.4%	92.2%	0.1%	6.1%	4.8%	2.7%
Multnomah	4244	97.2%	95.2%	0.1%	3.7%	2.8%	1.6%
Polk	12754	96.1%	94.6%	0.1%	4.0%	3.6%	2.2%
Tillamook	3925	96.0%	93.5%	0.1%	5.0%	3.9%	2.5%
Umatilla	13945	98.2%	97.0%	0.1%	1.8%	1.4%	1.0%
Union	4166	95.9%	92.2%	0.2%	5.6%	3.8%	2.7%
Wasco	811	92.2%	89.3%	0.2%	4.8%	2.5%	0.8%
Washington	94085	97.4%	95.4%	0.2%	3.3%	2.3%	1.3%
Wheeler	149	93.3%	91.3%	0.2%	2.0%	2.0%	1.9%
Yamhill	16847	95.6%	93.9%	0.1%	5.2%	4.2%	2.8%
Oregon ⁸	692276	95.8%	93.9%	0.1%	5.2%	3.9%	2.6%

Extremely high vaccination rates for MMR vaccine for every county in Oregon

Why is the actual vaccination rate for MMR and what the media is reporting so different? Why doesn't the Oregon Health Authority ever correct the media?



3) 7.5% of kindergarteners file an exemption form, which means they could be exempt from ONE vaccine, not ALL vaccines. Most of them will continue to vaccinate.


- 4) Only 2.5% of kindergarteners are 100% unvaccinated, therefore, of those that have filed an exemption, 66% are partially or mostly fully vaccinated. (2.6% of the 7.5% of exemptions did no vaccines, leaving 4.9% who did vaccinate even with exemption. $4.9\%/7.5\% = 65\%$)
- 5) Having exemption in Oregon means that the student didn't receive ALL 31 of the 31 required vaccines for school attendance. Meaning that if a child received 30 of the required vaccines, they would still be under the exemption.
- 6) The current measles cases since January of 2019 in Oregon is 4. 3 of which were confirmed to have stayed home during the illness and pose NO RISK of new public exposures. There has not been a single case of measles spread in any public or private school since this time. There is no state of emergency.

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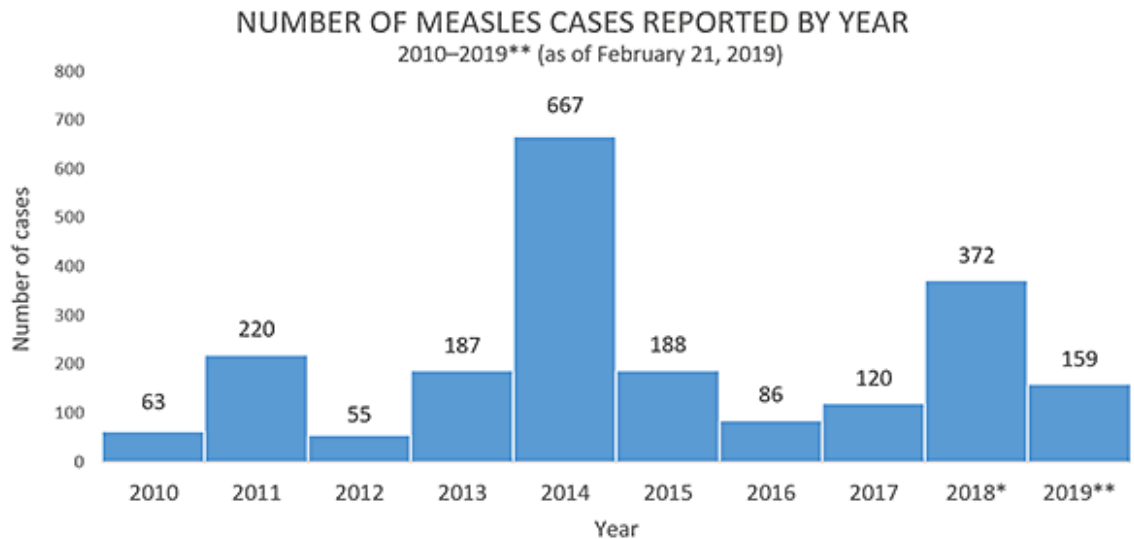
Measles has been confirmed in [three more Multnomah County residents](#), bringing the total number of cases in Oregon to 4. Officials say the three individuals stayed home and pose no risk of new public exposures. The individuals were in close contact with a Multnomah County resident who [tested positive for measles on January 25](#). These cases are linked to an [outbreak in Washington state](#).

Most Oregonians have been vaccinated against measles, and their risk is low. Measles is a highly contagious viral disease that spreads easily to people who are not immune. It poses the highest risk to pregnant women, infants under 12 months of age and people with weakened immune systems.

Oregon measles cases by county

County	Confirmed Cases
Multnomah 	4
Total	4

- 7) Measles cases still happen even when vaccine rates are at their peak. You will see from this chart from the CDC that this current outbreak of measles is not out of the cyclical norm for the disease.



*Cases as of December 29, 2018. Case count is preliminary and subject to change.

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- 8) We can and should trust parents to work with their physicians to make medical decisions based on their families individualized medical needs.

I greatly appreciate your time, and urge you to continue to support medical freedom.

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