

Dear HHC Committee,

Please oppose HB 3063. The government should not mandate injections into children. The vaccine schedule is not one-size-fits-all. These medical decisions should be between a doctor and the parents of the child.

A few days after my infant daughter Henna had a round of the Hep B vaccine, she started having several grand mal seizures. She was perfectly healthy previously. We raced to the Silverton ER. Then that hospital called the Panda Pediatric Ambulance to race Henna up to Doernbecher Children's Hospital. We spent 3 days there and they sent us home saying it was an anomaly and "maybe sleep apnea". When we arrived home, she continued to have several long grand mal seizures every day (being unable to breath and turning blue). I called my doctor in tears after she had been having seizures all week. He told me to take her to the ER to get picked up by the Panda Ambulance again. The ambulance raced Henna up to Doernbechers going 80 mph again.

After 4 days of being monitored and tested, having CT scans and EEGs, we were sent home with phenobarbital, an anticonvulsant. Along with having to take phenobarbital each day in her baby bottle to control her seizures, I had monthly visits from a state-appointed nurse to tracker Henna's cognitive, motor and physical development. Each month she did tests to assess my baby if she had effects from all the minutes without oxygen during seizures. The doctors at Doernbecher tracked one seizure that was 2 minutes long!!

I am not anti-vaccine. My oldest daughter has most of them. But after my daughter's experience, our family DOCTOR advised that we do a slower, delayed vaccine schedule with Henna's younger siblings. We have continued to get several vaccines, but we do it at a schedule determined by our doctor, my husband, and me.

This new bill HB 3063 not only violates our right to informed consent, it violates parental rights to make medical choices for their children. Please **NO** to HB 3063!!

Thank you,

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