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Don't let this governor steal your medical freedom...

I am mad as Hell. And you should be too. The drug company Merck has bought control of the Texas governor's mansion. And your state could be next. Last week, the governor of Texas signed an executive order mandating the vaccination of all preteen girls with Merck's new vaccine for cervical cancer.

Gardasil is a vaccine against human papilloma virus (HPV), which can cause cervical cancer. This virus is spread only through sexual contact. Not through coughing, sneezing, or stepping on a nail. And regular PAP smear tests can detect it before it becomes cancer (and there's an easy treatment for a positive PAP test, which I'll explain in a moment). So at best, the vaccine isn't necessary.

At it's worst, though, the vaccine is very dangerous. If you get pregnant within one month after vaccination, there's a higher risk of birth defects. And that's just the beginning. This vaccine, like most vaccines, has aluminum in it. I've shown you in the past how aluminum causes many health problems, including Alzheimer's disease and heart problems.

The study conducted on Gardasil proved this point very clearly. The researchers split 21,000 subjects into two different groups. One received the vaccine. The other received a placebo. Surprisingly, both groups had a few participants who suffered from arthritis after the shots. And the overwhelming majority of both groups had adverse effects, such as local reactions (rashes, etc.).

Sounds like it couldn't be the vaccine, could it, since the placebo shot recipients had similar problems? Ah, the devil's in the details. Turns out both the vaccine and the placebo had one thing in common - they both contained aluminum! And both groups discovered that aluminum is indeed a poison.

While I hate vaccines for this very reason, I hate the drug company's manipulation of the government even worse. It's one thing to offer these poisons on the open market, where you have the freedom to decide if you want to take it or not. It's another thing completely to mandate these poisons.

This would be bad enough if the drug were proven beyond a shadow of a doubt to be good for you. But I don't know of any such drug. And Gardasil is far from proven. The vaccine has no known period of protection (requiring boosters every few years - and more aluminum). Furthermore, the studied population was only followed for 18 months. There's no data on long-term repercussions. Even the FDA admits, "Gardasil has not been evaluated for the potential to cause carcinogenicity or genotoxicity." Why? The researchers didn't look for it, and the FDA didn't require it for initial approval.

How was Merck able to pull this off in Texas? First, the Texas governor received \$6,000 from Merck's political action committee during his re-election campaign. One of Merck's three lobbyists in Texas is Mike Toomey, the governor's former chief of staff. His current chief of staff's mother-in-law is state Rep. Dianne White Delisi. She is a state director for an organization called Women in Government. Merck provides funding for this organization, which is busy working on compulsory Gardasil vaccination for school entry. Are you connecting the dots?

I am astounded that government and the public would buy into another product with limited testing (and huge known aluminum risks) from Merck - a company that wantonly kept a killer drug (Vioxx) on the market. Do you really trust this company to look after your well being? I sure don't. This whole thing stinks to me. I hope it's putrid to you. The billions this political coupe will reap Merck will help the company offset the huge financial losses coming from the Vioxx lawsuits.

Can you do anything about it? First, if you have children or grandchildren in the target population, take all measures to protect them. Sign a religious waiver for all school required vaccines. If you are in Texas, storm Governor Perry's office with mail about this brazen surrender to Big Pharma. Demand your legislators to hold him accountable. Bring it up at school PTA meetings.

If you don't live in Texas, do the same in your state. Merck wields enormous power nationwide and your state could be next. The Merck Gardasil steamroller is moving fast and may already be unstoppable. A similar bill is working its way through the Virginia congress. And 18 other states are already considering such a bill.

Consider boycotting anything made by Merck. In future elections demand an accounting of all campaign contributions from Big Pharma for a candidate to receive your vote. Express your outrage in letters to the editor.

And what about cervical cancer? Women not sexually active or who are monogamous have a very low risk of cervical cancer (unless their partner is promiscuous). PAP smears are one of the few screening tests that pass muster with me. They are a must for women with multiple exposures. If your sexual values (morals) are high, and you practice safe sex, and you get yearly PAPs, the benefit, if any, from this vaccine is greatly diminished or non-existent.

If you have a positive PAP screen, cheap vitamin A is one of the best treatments for any type of skin or papilloma virus. I've seen many abnormal (but non-cancerous) PAPs reverse with 100,000 units daily along with 15 mg of folic acid.

Yours for better health and medical freedom,
Robert Jay Rowen, MD

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