



# NATIONAL HEALTH FREEDOM ACTION

February 24, 2016

**Please Protect Your Vaccine Exemption Rights & Click on  
Your State Below to Take Action Now!**

*Parents are the rightful decision-makers for their children's healthcare.*

*Adults are the rightful decision-makers of their bodies and employment.*

*Please join us in protecting the fundamental right to decline vaccines recommended by government for children and adults.*

**Click On Your State Below and Take Action by entering your Zip Code and sending a direct message to the legislators to defend your right to make informed, voluntary decisions about vaccinations. One size does NOT fit all - your action to protect your rights is urgently needed!**

**OPPOSE THESE Bills that would take away your rights:**

[Indiana](#)  
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**SUPPORT THESE Bills that would preserve your rights:**

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**OPPOSE [Indiana SB 162](#)**, allowing a hospital to force vaccination as a condition of employment and to grant liability protection for hospitals firing employees. SB162 was scheduled for a hearing on Wednesday February 24th at 3:30 in the House Public Health Committee in the House Chamber. We need you to make it a priority to contact the committee members before the hearing to oppose the bill, and if you are close to the capitol, to come and testify against the bill. We also need you to contact your own Representative and the Governor. SB 162 unfortunately passed the full senate on 2/2/16 completely unopposed with a vote of 50 yes and 0 no. The bill was amended to become a much worse bill. **Read the bill [here](#). Take Action [Here](#).**

**OPPOSE Iowa SF 2136**, Adding meningitis vaccination to immunization requirements for 7th and 12th grade students. SF 2136, formerly SSB 3073, passed the full senate on Feb. 22 (ayes 45, nays 4). Iowa law has medical and religious exemptions to vaccination requirements but does not allow personal belief exemptions. **Read the bill [here](#). [Take Action Here](#).**

**OPPOSE Maryland HB 1178 and SB 868**, Mandatory HPV Vaccines for all Maryland Teens. Medical and bona fide religious exemptions are allowed but a general philosophical or moral objection to the vaccination would not be sufficient grounds for a religious exemption to the student receiving the vaccination. HB 1178 is scheduled for a hearing on Mar. 10 at 1:00 p.m. in the Ways and Means Committee. SB 868 is scheduled for a hearing on Mar. 9 at 1:00 p.m. in the Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee. **Read the bill [here](#). [Take Action Here](#).**

**SUPPORT Massachusetts SB 317**, Adding a personal belief exemption to required vaccines in MA. Current law allows medical and religious exemptions only. SB 317 is in the Joint Education Committee. **Read the bill [here](#). [Take Action Here](#).**

**OPPOSE Missouri SB 1005**, Requiring meningococcal vaccines for students enrolled at public institutions of higher education. SB 1005 passed out of the Veterans' Affairs and Health Committee on 2/18/2016. Under current law, every public institution of higher education in Missouri must require all students residing in on-campus housing to have received the meningococcal vaccine, unless an exemption applies. SB 1005 would require all such students to have received the vaccine not more than 5 years prior to enrollment. Current law allows for exemptions for medical and religious beliefs but philosophical exemptions are not allowed. **Read the bill [here](#). [Take Action Here](#).**

**OPPOSE Missouri SB 819**, Requiring employees and volunteers of specified public and private institutions to receive an influenza vaccination every year. Exemptions are allowed for medical contraindications with a letter from a physician or medical records. Employees or volunteers requesting exemption due to religious beliefs must provide a written and signed request stating the reason for exemption. There are no exemptions for personal or conscientious beliefs. **Read the bill [here](#). [Take Action Here](#).**

**SUPPORT New Hampshire H.B. 1463**, Prohibiting any employer from having a vaccine policy that requires its employees to receive such vaccine. The bill was heard is still pending in the Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services Committee after a hearing held on Jan. 26th. **Read the bill [here](#). [Take Action Here](#).**

**OPPOSE New Jersey AB 2647**, Requires human papillomavirus vaccinations for students in grades six through 12. Introduced on Feb. 8th by Pamela R Lampitt and referred to Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee. Medical and bona fide religious exemptions are allowed but a general philosophical or moral objection to the vaccination would not be sufficient grounds for a religious exemption to the student receiving the vaccination. **Read the bill [here](#). [Take Action Here](#).**

**SUPPORT New Jersey AB 2727**, Providing for conscientious belief exemption to mandatory immunizations. AB 2727 was introduced and referred to the Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee on Feb. 8, 2016. **Read the bill [here](#). [Take Action Here](#).**

**OPPOSE NY AB 8329/SB6017**, Eliminating religious belief exemptions from New York's vaccination requirements. AB 8329/SB6017 violates religious freedom, parental rights and medical freedom. The bill creates a hostile environment for New York families who don't agree with safety, efficacy, or necessity of every single dose of every single government mandated vaccine for religious reasons. **Read the bill [here](#). [Take Action Here](#).**

**SUPPORT Ohio H.B. 170**, Protecting Workers Right to Refuse Flu Shots. H.B. 170 is sponsored by Representative Christina Hagan and is in the House Commerce and Labor Committee. **Read the bill [here](#). [Take Action Here](#).**

**SUPPORT Rhode Island SB 2292**, Reinstates the philosophical exemption to vaccinations and restricts the department of health's authority to impose and/or change the current mandated vaccinations. SB 2292 also removes the current HPV Mandate by adding a new section that states - no person shall be required to be immunized for human papillomavirus (HPV) as a condition of entering or inclusion in any public or private school or university in this state. The bill was referred to the Senate Health & Human Services Committee. **Read the bill [here](#). [Take Action Here](#).**

**OPPOSE 2016 South Dakota SB 28**, Requiring meningococcal immunization for school entry. SB 28 is on Governor Dugaard's desk after it passed both the Senate (YEAS 23, NAYS 10, Jan. 27) and the House (YEAS 42, NAYS 25, Feb. 17). Please call the Governor's office, at **605.773.3212**, to voice your opposition and demand a veto now. Then follow-up with an email to the Governor's office; **use the form provided [here](#)** to send your veto message, or use **NHFA's Veto Letter [Here](#)**. South Dakota law has medical and religious exemptions to vaccination requirements but does not allow personal belief exemptions. **Read the bill [here](#). Take Action [Here](#).**

**OPPOSE Utah HB 221**, Requiring completion of online education module to exercise medical, religious and personal belief exemptions to vaccination for public and private school and daycare students; module and "certificate of completion" to be developed by Department of Health. The bill was amended and passed the House Health and Human Services Committee on Feb. 22. **Read the bill [here](#). Take Action [Here](#).**

**OPPOSE Wisconsin AB 924**, Removing personal belief exemptions from Wisconsin's immunization laws. AB 924 is sponsored by Representatives Hintz, Berceau, Kahl, Pope, Sinicki and Subeck; it is cosponsored by Senator Risser. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health on Feb. 18, 2016. **Read the bill [here](#). Take Action [Here](#).**

**OPPOSE West Virginia S.B. 276**, Requiring all health care workers receive flu vaccination annually. The bill allows only medical exemptions and imposes fines on health care facilities employing non-vaccinated employees. **Read the bill [here](#). Take Action [Here](#).**



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