



NATIONAL HEALTH FREEDOM ACTION

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Urgent Actions Needed in Many States NOW!

Uphold and Protect the Fundamental Right to Decline Vaccines

Defend your fundamental right to make informed, voluntary decisions about vaccinations. Click On Your State Below NOW! Many State bills attempting to expand or restrict the legal right to make voluntary choices about vaccination are popping up all across the country.

Whether you advocate for or against the use of vaccines, NHFA urges you to stand up for your human and legal right to be in charge of your family's health care, including making informed, voluntary health care decisions for yourself or your children and choosing to use no vaccines, a few vaccines, or all government recommended vaccines. **Click on Your State Below NOW** to tell your legislators that **the right and responsibility for making a medical intervention decision for preventive care belongs to you!**

Click on your State to SUPPORT These Bills

- Colorado:** Parent's Bill of Rights regarding education and physical and mental health
- Mississippi:** Authorizing exemptions from vaccinations for conscientious beliefs
- New York:** Adding a philosophical exemption to the immunizations act
- New York:** Prohibiting vaccinations as a requirement for employment

Click on your State to OPPOSE These Bills

- Arizona:** Removing law that allows parents who do not vaccinate their children to be foster parents.
- California:** Eliminating personal belief exemptions to vaccination requirements
- Connecticut:** Requiring health care providers to be vaccinated against the flu
- Maine:** Eliminating personal belief exemptions to vaccination requirements
- Minnesota:** Requiring Doctor visit and signature before utilizing vaccine exemptions
- Missouri:** Requiring employees and volunteers of specified public and private institutions to receive an influenza vaccination every year
- Oregon:** Requiring additional signature requirements for exercising a personal belief exemption
- Texas:** Repealing conscientious and religious exemptions to vaccinations
- Vermont:** Repealing philosophical exemption to vaccination

Washington: Eliminating personal belief exemptions to vaccination requirements

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Arizona SB 1398 would remove a law that allows parents who do not vaccinate their children to be foster parents. The bill was read for a second time in the senate on 2/4/2015. Read the bill [here](#). **Take Action Here.**

California will soon introduce a bill that would eliminate the personal belief exemption to vaccination requirements. Check back to read the bill once the language is posted. **Take Action Here.**

Colorado S.B.15-77 creates a "Parent's Bill of Rights" that sets forth specific rights of parents in regard to the education and physical and mental health care of their children. S.B.15-77 prohibits the state or any other government entity in CO from infringing upon the fundamental rights of a parent to direct the upbringing, education, and physical and mental health care of his or her child without first demonstrating that there is a compelling governmental interest and no less restrictive manner of doing so. Read the bill [here](#). **Take Action Here.**

Connecticut H.B. 5448 would require health care providers to be vaccinated against the flu. It was introduced on January 15, 2015 and referred to the Joint Committee on Public Health. Read the bill [here](#). **Take Action Here.**

Maine will soon introduce a bill that would eliminate personal belief exemptions to vaccination requirements. Check back to read the bill once the language is posted. **Take Action Here.**

Minnesota H.B.393/S.B 380 would require a person to obtain a statement from a physician that provides immunizations verifying that the physician has reviewed with the parent or guardian, or the child if emancipated, information about the risks and benefits of the vaccines that is consistent with information published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Read the bill [here](#). **Take Action Here.**

Mississippi H.B. 130 would authorize exemptions from vaccinations for conscientious beliefs. It was introduced on January 6, 2015 and referred to the Education Committee. Read the bill [here](#). **Take Action Here.**

Missouri S.B. 329 would require employees and volunteers of specified public and private institutions to receive an influenza vaccination every year. It was introduced on January 27, 2015. Read the bill [here](#). **Take Action Here.**

New York S.B. 1536/A.B. 943 would add a philosophical exemption to the immunizations act. A.B. 943 was introduced and referred to Health Committee on Jan., 13, 2015. Read the bill [here](#). **Take Action Here.**

New York A.B. 224 would prohibit vaccination as a requirement for employment. NY AB 224 was introduced and referred to Labor Committee on Jan. 7, 2015. Read the bill [here](#). **Take Action Here.**

Oregon SB 442 would require additional signature requirements for exercising a personal belief exemption. Read the bill [here](#). **Take Action Here.**

Texas will soon introduce a bill that would Repeal Conscientious and Religious Exemptions to vaccinations. Check back to read the bill once the language is posted. **Take Action Here.**

Vermont will soon introduce a bill that would repeal philosophical exemption to vaccination. Check back to read the bill once the language is posted. **Take Action Here.**

Washington H.B. 2009 a bill that attempts to eliminate personal belief exemptions to vaccination requirements. Read the bill [here](#). **Take Action Here.**

Additional bills on vaccinations to support and oppose can be found [here](#).

Updates from other States (excerpts from NVIC.org):

Ohio Vaccine Exemptions Protected!

“Although Ohio legislators did pass a law (HB 394) in December that requires children attending daycare to get every CDC recommended vaccination while also giving pharmacists the green light to administer vaccines, legislators were responsive to protests from Ohio citizens defending non-medical vaccine exemptions. The new law leaves non-medical religious and conscientious belief vaccine exemptions intact...” [Read More.](#)

Michigan Health Officials Abuse Rule Making Authority!

“Without notifying long-recognized vaccine stakeholders, such as Michigan Opposing Mandatory Vaccines and NVIC, and without any legislative hearings, state health officials quietly gutted the non-medical vaccine exemption filing process by burying a rule change notice in on page 166 of a 240-page document published in the Nov. 1, 2014 Michigan Register.”

“As of Jan. 1, 2015, Michigan parents filing a non-medical exemption form for their children first will be required to ask a health department official to certify that they have received one-sided state vaccine “education.” Without that health department “certification,” a non-medical vaccine exemption will not be accepted by a day care facility, school or other state-funded activity program.” [Read More.](#)

Stand Up in Your State Today! Everyone in every state should schedule a face-to-face meeting with your representatives if you really want to be heard. If you can't do that, schedule a telephone or Skype call, and arrange for your documentation to be sent ahead of time to look at during the call. Find out who your Representatives are [here](#).



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