



## Newsletter: Dr. John Cunningham peddling False and Misleading Vaccination Information - Again

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In Australia the government is currently removing "**informed consent without coercion**" to vaccination by implementing legislation that links this medical procedure to financial payments, employment and childcare/preschool centres.

There is no scientific evidence to support mandatory vaccination for 16+ diseases and this is described in my **No Jab No Play** Rally speech given to hundreds of concerned citizens at the Fremantle protest (WA) on 28 May 2017. This rally speech is titled "[Choice in Vaccination](#)" by [Dr. Judy Wilyman](#) and provides the science and politics explaining why all medical procedures must remain voluntary and based on fully informed consent.

Parents are concerned about the medical risks of vaccines and the ingredients that are not being discussed by doctors and this is because they are not provided with this information *in their medical education*.

This practice does not comply with the [Good Practice Guidelines](#) for medical practitioners and this is harmful to human health. I have described the political reasons why this is occurring in my [rally speech](#) above.

Medical practitioners are being indoctrinated with two main myths:

- i) *Vaccine-created* herd immunity is necessary for community protection and
- ii) Vaccine adverse events (AE's) are rare.

Neither of these claims is supported with scientific evidence and this is demonstrated in my [PhD thesis](#) published by the University of Wollongong.

This is a scientific debate that the community needs to have yet Dr. John Cunningham is

suppressing this debate with false and misleading information in the [mainstream media](#). On 2 August 2017 the movie '[Vaxxed: From Cover-Up to Catastrophe](#)' was held at the Village Crown Casino Cinemas in Melbourne. This documentary is about a US CDC researcher who is concerned about the causal link that was discovered between the MMR vaccine and autism in a CDC sponsored study in 2001.

Dr. John Cunningham and his colleagues in organised lobby group's (*The Australian Skeptics Inc*, SAVN, *Friends of Science in Medicine* (FSM)) are promoting industry interests in government policies. They are not promoting public health in these policies *because they are ignoring the deaths and chronic illness (autism)* that has significantly increased in children in direct correlation with the increased emphasis on vaccines in the 1990's. This correlation has never been investigated with randomised controlled clinical trials.

This illness is now described as the "new norm" and *if* it occurs after vaccination it is described as a '**coincidence**'. This is not compatible with scientific methodology and it is not an evidence-based policy.

Here is the false information Dr. John Cunningham, a leader of the SAVN lobby group (an offshoot of the Australian Skeptics Inc - that is not a scientific organisation) has provided in the [mainstream media](#):

1. He is described as a "leading Australian immunisation expert" yet he is a 'Melbourne Orthopaedic Surgeon' and has no special qualifications or formal publications in vaccination/immunisation or policy on his website. He received an Order of Australia medal in "science and immunisation" in January 2016 - one week after publishing [unsupported and derogatory information](#) about vaccination research supported by academics at the University of Wollongong. This OAM was promoted by the *Australian Skeptics Inc* - a non-scientific pro-vaccine lobby group.
2. That the Vaxxed film is an 'anti-vaccination' film.
3. He argues that it endangers public health - yet the opposite is true - not debating this information endangers public health.
4. That Andrew Wakefield's 1998 MMR vaccine/autism study has been 'debunked'.
5. That the claims about MMR vaccine causing autism are 'false'.
6. That Vaxxed was "one of the most dangerous films he had come across".
7. That the academics and professionals involved with this film shouldn't be able to have a platform to screen this film.
8. "Babies will die if they are not vaccinated"
9. "These sorts of lies and misinformation are a threat to public health ....."

Dr. John Cunningham's information is lies and misinformation. He said that "the film had the potential to harm generations of children in Australia" and that "We are living in an era when people are dying needlessly". However, the opposite is true. If people do not see this film and make their own assessment of the research then there is the potential to harm **another generation of children** in Australia and people will continue to die needlessly (and be harmed) if they are not informed of this research by US CDC researchers.

Death and disability are associated with all vaccines and the promotion of multiple vaccines in mandatory and coercive government legislation in genetically diverse populations **is a danger to human health**. Open and transparent debate on all the scientific research is essential to protect public health.

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