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To the Attention of: Dr. Joss Reimer, Chief Public Health Officer, Public Health Agency of Canada

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Dear Dr. Reimer

Congratulations on your appointment as Canada's Chief Public Health Officer. May you serve this position and all Canadians well.

I am writing in my capacity as President of Vaccine Choice Canada. We are Canada's most respected and longest serving vaccine risk awareness organization founded by parents of vaccine injured children. We have provided education, advocacy and resources to the Canadian public and governments since 1982.

I am delighted to read your recently stated priorities of "**tackling health misinformation and rebuilding public trust.**"¹ I also want to acknowledge the Public Health Agency of Canada's mandate to "**prevent and control chronic diseases and injuries**",² your mission of "**...addressing public health priorities through science...**",³ and your core value to "**...uphold the value of integrity by prioritizing security, upholding ethical standards ...**".

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¹ https://www.thecanadianpressnews.ca/health/dr-joss-reimer-says-misinformation-a-key-target-as-she-becomes-canadas-top-doctor/article_54c7c03c-9bd7-5767-8d37-dde7e176c183.html

² <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/corporate/mandate.html>

³ <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/corporate/mandate.html#a2>

⁴ <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/corporate/mandate.html#a3>

These are worthy and necessary goals, especially in response to Health Canada’s misguided efforts and the dissemination of false information during the COVID event.

I am writing specifically in response to the recently released revisions on the US CDC website titled: **Vaccines do not cause Autism** *.⁵

I trust you are aware of the following statements posted:

- The claim that “vaccines do not cause autism” is not an evidence-based claim because studies have not ruled out the possibility that infant vaccines cause autism.
- Studies supporting a link have been ignored by health authorities.
- HHS has launched a comprehensive assessment of the causes of autism, including investigations on plausible biologic mechanisms and potential causal links.

My Request

With your commitment to “*tackling health misinformation and rebuilding public trust*” and your mission of “*...addressing public health priorities through science...*” I am writing to ask for a likewise revision to the statement on the Government of Canada webpage (Canada.ca⁶) with respect to vaccines and autism.

The Canada.ca website makes the unsubstantiated claim – **“Autism is not caused by vaccination.”**

You and I both know that Health Canada does not have the scientific evidence to make this definitive statement and is thereby contributing to misinformation at best and intentional deception at worst.

A more truthful statement would be:

“Proper studies to determine a causal relationship between vaccination and autism have not been conducted. Therefore, the claim that vaccines do not cause autism is without scientific merit and premature at this time.”

Revising the statement on the Canada.ca site is a step in the right direction to restore trust in public health.

Rationale

1. **During a US Senate subcommittee hearing** held on September 9th, 2025, an unpublished study using data from the Henry Ford Health System, Detroit MI, was

⁵ <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccine-safety/about/autism.html>

⁶ <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/autism-spectrum-disorder-asd.html>

entered into the public record. ⁷ This study by Marcus Zervos, et al.⁸ reaffirmed what previous studies⁹ comparing unvaccinated children to vaccinated children found. Namely that unvaccinated children have significantly lower rates of chronic illness, including autism than vaccinated children. This study has recently been peer reviewed by Hulscher et al¹⁰, and by using additional statistical methods concluded:

“Of the 22 chronic disease conditions studied, proportional contrasts always favor the unvaccinated. The most dramatic contrasts occurred in asthma, autism, auto-immunity, ADHD, brain dysfunction, mental health disorders, behavioral disability, developmental delay, learning disability, intellectual disability, speech disorder, motor disability, tics, other disability disorder, neurological disorder, and seizure disorder. At ten years of follow-up, 57% of the vaccinated cohort had at least one chronic disorder, compared with 17% in the unvaccinated.”

2. On Oct. 27th, 2025, McCullough, et al. published the **McCullough Foundation Report: Determinants of Autism Spectrum Disorder** ¹¹ writing in their conclusion:

“Combination and early-timed routine childhood vaccination constitutes the most significant modifiable risk factor for ASD, supported by convergent mechanistic, clinical, and epidemiologic findings, and characterized by intensified use, the clustering of multiple doses during critical neurodevelopmental windows, and the lack of research on the cumulative safety of the full pediatric schedule.”

3. On Nov. 5th, a preprint entitled: **Infant Vaccine Scheduling Intensity and Autism Incidence: A Preliminary Cross-National Analysis to Guide Public Health Policy** ¹² was released. From the abstract:

“Nations with higher autism prevalence (USA, Canada, Australia, Japan, South Korea, Singapore) averaged 15 vaccine types and 20 doses for infants ≤1 year, whereas lower-prevalence countries (Norway, Denmark, Finland, Italy, Sweden, UK) averaged 8 vaccines and 9 doses. Partial correlations revealed strong positive associations between autism prevalence and both vaccine types ($r = 0.87, p < 0.001$) and doses ($r = 0.79, p < 0.01$).”

⁷ <https://www.hsgac.senate.gov/subcommittees/investigations/hearings/how-the-corruption-of-science-has-impacted-public-perception-and-policies-regarding-vaccines/>

⁸ <https://www.hsgac.senate.gov/wp-content/uploads/Entered-into-hearing-record-Impact-of-Childhood-Vaccination-on-Short-and-Long-Term-Chronic-Health-Outcomes-in-Children-A-Birth-Cohort-Study.pdf>

⁹ Vax-Unvax Let the Science Speak, Brian Hooker, Robert F. Kennedy Jr. 2023 Skyhorse Publishing, ISBN 978-1-5107-6696-9

¹⁰ <https://ijvtpr.com/index.php/IJVTPr/article/view/125>

¹¹ <https://zenodo.org/records/17451259>

¹² <https://www.preprints.org/manuscript/202511.0675>

You might point out that in response to these recent studies, the World Health Organization (WHO) issued a statement on Dec. 11, 2025 in contrast to the afore-mentioned references. They stated:

*“New analysis from a WHO global expert committee on vaccine safety has found that, based on available evidence, no causal link exists between vaccines and autism spectrum disorders (ASD).”*¹³

Respectively, I challenge the credibility of this statement due to the lack of supporting references, and due to the qualifier *“based on available evidence”*. We both know that governments globally, including Canada, have failed to conduct proper studies to determine a causal relationship between vaccination, including the Vitamin K shot, and autism. A lack of evidence does not mean that *“no causal link exists”*. Absence of definitive proof is not proof of absence.

The lack of adequate vaccine safety testing is further supported in the 2024 publication by Dr. Stanley Plotkin, et al.¹⁴ who wrote:

*“In 234 reviews of various vaccines and health outcomes conducted from 1991 to 2012, the IOM found **inadequate evidence to prove or disprove causation** in 179 (76%) of the relationships it explored.”*

A Further Request

Over our 44-year history, Vaccine Choice Canada has endeavored to be factual and provide information which is supported by the literature and objective evidence.

In our shared commitment to disseminate accurate and evidence-based information, I invite you or your staff to review the information provided on the Vaccine Choice Canada website and advise us if you find any statements which are not supported by the scientific literature.

Our website is: <https://vaccinechoicecanada.com/>

It is my hope that together we can commit to factual, evidence-based statements in our efforts to educate the public on the science of vaccination.

Unfortunately, our prior questions and requests of public health officials to provide evidence of vaccine safety, efficacy and necessity have been answered with dogmatic statements which are not supported by science, the data, nor the experience of many parents.

¹³ <https://www.who.int/news/item/11-12-2025-who-expert-group-s-new-analysis-reaffirms-there-is-no-link-between-vaccines-and-autism>

¹⁴ <https://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMp2402379>

I look forward to your timely response to this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ted Kuntz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the letter "z".

Ted Kuntz, President
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