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by email and Canada Post

To: Mr. Pierre Richard, Chair of Public Health Ontario Board of Directors
Public Health Ontario
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Dear Chair Pierre Richard,

It has come to our attention that recently issued Orders for Suspension from Attendance at School from the Medical Officer of Health of Hastings Prince Edward Public Health are in violation of Ontario's Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA) and Health Care Consent Act. Further the suspension letters breach the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms Sections 2, 7 and 15 at a minimum. Such breaches of federal and provincial law are unacceptable.

We have attached for your consideration a copy of the letter we sent to Board of Health for Hastings Prince Edward Public Health (HPEPH), which details the breaches of law. This letter includes a scanned copy of the first page of the Order for Suspension where the Medical Health Officer omits the option of personal belief exemption affidavits as valid documents to rescind the Suspension Order. The letter contains all the details of why the Suspension Order therefore constitutes an illegal action.

As the governance body for Public Health Ontario, it is important for your Board to be aware of our concerns in this regard. We have contacted the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care—the main funder of both Public Health Ontario and local public health units—and requested them to ascertain whether all the Orders for Suspension from Attendance at School issued by all 36 Public Health Offices contained the same wording as the one from HPEPH. We deem it likely this is the case as both the Ministry and Public Health Ontario would want consistent wording in all Suspension Orders.

We consider the issue of illegal Suspension Orders a very serious malfeasance on the part of public officials and request remedy of this situation from all involved.

Signed

Nelle Maxey Secretary Treasurer of Vaccine Choice Canada
On behalf of the Board of Directors

Attachment:

Letter to the Hastings Prince Edward Board of Health including scanned copy of Suspension Order