

We Need a More Sophisticated Conversation

When it comes to vaccines, the CBC is living in a world of absolutes. Vaccines are “safe and effective.” No questions. No controversy. It’s black and white. Everyone who can should be vaccinated. Vaccinated children are immune to disease. Unvaccinated children spread disease. Vaccinated children are thriving. Unvaccinated children are dying.

In the real world, more and more parents no longer believe this narrative. There is increasing skepticism about the safety and efficacy of vaccination. In fact, studies have shown that the better educated parents are, the more likely they are to abstain from the recommended vaccine schedule.

The CBC can't understand this. The CBC has inundated us with stories featuring experts all vouching for the safety of vaccines. We are told repeatedly that, “The science is settled.” No further research or discussion is needed. Everyone believes, or should believe, in this miracle of modern medicine.

*“An error does not become truth by reason of multiplied propagation,
Nor does truth become error because nobody sees it.”*

- Mahatma Gandhi

Of course, this isn't authentic journalism, nor is it real science.

Authentic journalism means telling the truth, however uncomfortable or inconvenient that may be. Honest, ethical reporters do more than simply regurgitate talking points from vaccine proponents. They truly investigate why an increasing number of parents, professionals and scientists are vaccine hesitant. Authentic journalism does not ignore the vaccine injured.

Real science is never settled. Real science asks hard questions and demands honest answers. Real science asks – *Is what we are doing working?* Real science is committed to discovering the truth, not selling medical products and an ideology. Real science engages with humility, not hubris.

The reality is that what the CBC reports about vaccines and what the science says about vaccines isn't the same. The CBC isn't engaged in honest journalism when the topic is vaccines. It's about marketing a product for the for-profit medical industry. It's about selling an ideology, regardless of the merits of this ideology. It's about turning our children (and soon adults) into captive-markets for the pharmaceutical industry. It's about manufacturing fear and creating dependency on vaccine induced immunity.

We Need a Sophisticated Discussion

We need a sophisticated discussion that moves beyond simplistic and often vitriolic rants on *anti-vaxxers*. We need a conversation that instead offers an in-depth examination of the benefits and risks of individual vaccine products.

We also need to help people to understand the difference between *vaccination* and *immunization*. These words are used interchangeably, even by so-called ‘experts’. These words are not the same. Vaccinated children can become infected and are therefore not immunized; and unvaccinated children can be healthy and free of infection.

We need a clear definition of what constitutes immunity, and a critical assessment of the merits of the inferior and temporary protection provided by vaccine products.

We need to examine whether vaccinated children have better overall health than unvaccinated children and not simply whether there are fewer cases of measles or mumps.

We need to hold thoughtful and intelligent discussions on what level of risk justifies violating our legal and ethical right to informed consent, the removal of parental rights to make medical decisions for their children, and the loss of bodily sovereignty (my body, my choice).

We need moral guidance on the ethics of the demonization and discrimination of naturally immune children that is prevalent today.

We need to discuss why vaccine products do not undergo the same level of rigorous safety testing required of every other medical product and why vaccine manufacturers are not legally and financially liable for the injuries and deaths caused by their products.

We need to question why in today's society, every topic except vaccines, can be openly discussed and debated and differences respected.

*"I feel as though I have been transported to Wonderland,
or some scary totalitarian state, where the truth cannot be spoken."*

- Dr. Malcolm Kendrick

We need to decide whether humans are free and sovereign beings or simply chattel of the state.

We also need to discuss who will be held responsible when we finally acknowledge what an indiscriminate vaccine schedule has done to the health of humanity. Is it the fault of the vaccine industry who made the unsafe products, the professionals who bullied their patients into accepting the products, the politicians who eliminated the right to informed consent, the media who religiously disseminated the vaccine propaganda, or the parents who blindly trusted what they were told?

But these questions and considerations would undermine the narrative that all vaccines are safe and effective for all people. This would invite complexity into the black and white world of vaccine ideology. Questions would foster doubt, when the last thing the vaccine industry wants is doubt. Doubt would impact the bottom line. We also know that in order for vaccines to work, everyone must believe. Or so we are told.

It seems that we are trapped within a dystopian nightmare where it is impossible to examine whether any vaccine, for any disease, may be associated with or cause any degree of harm. There are many people at the CBC who are doing everything they can to make sure that everyone believes, that everyone participates in this holy ritual, and that thoughtful and intelligent conversation about vaccination doesn't happen.

In such a state, it becomes impossible to keep ourselves and our children safe.

It's time we had thoughtful evidence-based conversations. It's time to make wise decisions rather than reactive decisions. It's time that health was more important than profit.

It's time that the CBC did their job.

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