Public Comment to HHS — Vaccine Choice and Unalienable Rights

The Declaration of Independence declares that all people are endowed with unalienable rights, including Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. These unalienable rights are described as existing prior to government. Government is instituted to secure these rights, and its legitimate powers are derived from the consent of the governed.

Medical decisions are profoundly connected to these principles. The decision whether to accept a medical intervention that enters and alters one's body implicates life, liberty, bodily integrity, and the pursuit of one's own well-being.

Article IV of the Bill of Rights provides:
"The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated…"

I demand HHS to recognize the broader constitutional principle underlying the Amendment: **the individual has a protected interest in security of his or her person against unreasonable governmental intrusion.**

HHS lacks the Constitutional authority to enforce recommendations/requirements as law on men and women. See Article I section 8.

The Constitution grants no authority for HHS to exist; therefore, HHS has no authority over men and women. For that reason, I demand HHS recognize governmental recommendations/ requirements cannot be dictated to men and women; government recommendations/requirements apply to government employees only.

Now that HHS have been reminded of who policy refers to, any attempt to include recommendations/requirements for men and women is outside your authority; therefore, government employees can be held personally accountable.

I do not consent to HHS recommendations/requirements. I do not consent to government and its agencies, et al, overseeing vaccine schedules. I do not consent to governmental interference in my private life and my unalienable rights including but not limited to medical decisions.

I demand HHS adopt and maintain policies based on the following principles:

1. **Voluntary choice**: Where vaccination is recommended the decision shall remain a genuine and personal choice for men and women rather than being produced through coercion, intimidation, financial penalties, loss of access, or other unnecessary pressure.
2. **Mother/Father authority**: Mothers and Fathers and lawful guardians shall retain authority in medical decisions concerning their progeny, without subject to unconstitutional "laws" in the name of protections of progeny from serious harm.

3. **Bodily autonomy**: My body, my choice; also, my progeny's body, my choice.
4. **Individual circumstances**: Vaccine recommendations/requirements shall account for differences among men and women and progeny rather than treating everyone as medically identical.
5. **Government Authority**: Government and its agencies, et al, shall recognize that the Constitution allows no authority for their own recommendations/requirements to be enforced as law upon men and women and their progeny.

These principles are particularly relevant because HHS itself is currently seeking public input concerning individual autonomy, informed consent, religious freedom, and the role of shared clinical decision-making in federal vaccine recommendations/requirements.

I demand HHS to continue moving toward a framework in which recommendations/requirements do not become coercion, and in which American men and women are trusted to participate meaningfully in decisions concerning their own bodies and the health of their families.

The American conception of liberty begins with the recognition that all rights are not gifts bestowed by government for they existed before government and will exist after government. They are inherent to the men and women who live on the land, united States of America. Government exists to secure those rights, not to displace them.

Accordingly, I demand HHS to ensure that federal vaccine policy gives the fullest possible effect to the principles of life, liberty, informed consent, bodily autonomy, mother/father authority, and the unalienable rights of the American people, while remaining consistent with the Constitution.

My body, my choice

Respectfully submitted,

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