



November 4, 2021

Dear School District Administrator,

This letter is being sent on behalf of Wisconsin United for Freedom, a parent led organization dedicated to protecting parental rights and medical freedom in Wisconsin, in light of the recent FDA approval for Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) of the COVID-19 vaccine in children ages 5-11.

This EUA approval occurred despite hours of discussion by the FDA regarding concerns over the potential side effects of this vaccine for children, specifically myocarditis and pericarditis. The Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP) met on November 2nd to endorse emergency use of the COVID-19 vaccine in children and focused on a plan for mass distribution of this vaccine to children as quickly as possible with administration via school clinics.

We want to make it clear on behalf of our 40,000+ members that we are firmly opposed to schools being used as medical facilities.

This product resides under EUA, and has not yet received full FDA approval, which means it is considered experimental with no long-term safety studies. Utilizing a school to mass distribute any medical procedure is a slippery slope that could potentially lead to irreversible outcomes. Medical decisions must be made in concert between individuals with their parents/guardians and their personal healthcare providers.

In addition to these safety concerns, careful consideration must be paid to non-traditional families. With the diverse population of school districts with a variety of custody agreements, it must be guaranteed that the adult granting permission for a student's vaccination has the legal authority to do so. There were recent situations in Indiana and Louisiana (links below) that bring to light the serious repercussions that could occur as a result of school vaccination clinics. Liability falls onto schools should these "mistakes" occur at their clinics and may result in legal repercussions.

We respectfully ask that you carefully examine the information provided below before committing to hosting a vaccination clinic in your district schools.

- Under Emergency Use Authorization (EUA), it is required that recipients are notified of the **significant known and potential benefits and risks associated** with the emergency use of the product, and of the extent to which such benefits and risks are unknown; that they have the **option to accept or refuse** the EUA product and of any consequences of refusing administration of the product; and of **any available alternatives** to the product and of the risks and benefits of available alternatives.¹
- Individuals and their guardian(s) require full informed consent prior to administration of any medical procedure.

Information for Healthcare Providers-- <https://www.fda.gov/media/153714/download>

Information for Parents-- <https://www.fda.gov/media/153717/download>

- As of October 22, there have been **837,593 total adverse events** reported to the Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS) on the COVID-19 vaccine. There have been **567 total reports** for Wisconsin

children ages 12-18 and include: 4 deaths, 7 life-threatening, 2 permanent disabilities, 25 hospitalizations, 12 myocarditis, 1 anaphylaxis.² Since COVID-19 deaths have been tracked, according to the Wisconsin Department of Health, a total of 4 children aged 0-19 have been reported to have died of COVID-19.³ Within that same time period, according to the Centers for Disease Control, Wisconsin reported a total of 1,033 deaths from other causes in the age range 0-17.⁴

- Clinical trials for the COVID-19 vaccine in children revealed “very high” incidents of heart inflammation, particularly in males. According to the CDC’s data, 1-5 incidents were expected for ages 12-15 and **117 were actually observed**; 0-3 incidents were expected for ages 16-17 and **121 were actually observed**.⁵
- “The boy initially thought he was signing up to get a vaccine at a later date, and planned to discuss whether to get a jab with his mom, the family’s lawyer said. When he learned the shots were happening at that time, **he felt pressure and got one**. Ochsner acknowledges that a mistake happened and that **the boy did not receive parental consent**.”⁶
- “Joshua and Alexandra Price say they and their two children were mistakenly given the COVID-19 vaccine instead of a flu shot a week ago at their local pharmacy -- and they are now dealing with some adverse symptoms. “The children have experienced a number of adverse effects since receiving the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. Fever, body aches, cough, headaches, and nausea are among the symptoms the children are experiencing,” according to a statement released by the Prices' attorney, Dan Tuley. "The 4- and 5-year-old are also under treatment of a pediatric cardiologist for tachycardia and elevated blood pressure, respectively.”⁷

Thank you for hearing our concerns and we are hopeful that you will decide against vaccination clinics being hosted in your schools. We understand that these are unprecedented times that present significant challenges. The reality is that there has never been a vaccination more readily available and easily accessible than the COVID-19 vaccine. Keep our schools focused on education and let healthcare facilities administer vaccines.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors for Wisconsin United for Freedom

References

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³ <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/deaths.htm>

⁴ https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/vsrr/covid_weekly/index.htm#SexAndAge

⁵ <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/meetings/downloads/slides-2021-08-30/03-COVID-Su-508.pdf>

⁶ <https://tinyurl.com/5ftv5h9t>

⁷ <https://www.cnn.com/2021/10/13/us/parents-say-walgreens-mistake-covid-vaccine/index.html>