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Oppose SB 372, " Health Occupations - Pharmacists - Administration of Vaccines"

I agree with a pharmacist who wrote "pharmacists have already prostituted the profession by dispensing and administering the COVID "vaccine" without full informed consent."

Here are additional reasons to oppose Bill 372.

1. Pharmacists are not trained or equipped to obtain an adequate medical history from each patient before administering vaccines to small children, particularly those aged 3-11. This bill would enable pharmacists to administer vaccines to small children without reviewing the child's medical chart, assessing contraindications, or evaluating the condition of the patient in the hours and days following the administration of the vaccine. Adverse reactions may be undetected and unreported to their primary care provider.
2. There is currently no state of emergency justifying the increased risk of expanding the scope of providers licensed to administer vaccines to children without assessing their full medical history and potential risk.
3. Although [the CDC recently added Covid-19 vaccines to the recommended schedule for children](#), there is [compelling evidence](#) that Covid-19 vaccines confer more risk than benefit to patients aged 3-18. Pharmacists cannot accurately assess the risk versus benefit to pediatric patients they would be licensed to vaccinate with Covid-19 vaccines; nor would they have the means to monitor and assess possible adverse effects or evaluate previous medical history when potentially administering booster doses.
4. There is no evidence that expanding the scope of providers licensed to administer vaccines to small children improves health outcomes for those children, while conversely there is a demonstrable risk to children in doing so. There is no compelling reason to pass this bill when there is strong evidence that it will do harm.

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