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Request To Halt the COVID-19 Vaccination of Children in Schools Pending Full Risk Disclosure and Vaccine Injury Liability Admission by the Ministry of Health

The Responsible Parents Group TT (RPGTT) - A Member of TTCAN - asserts that the Ministry of Health in collaboration with teachers, principals and public health nurses have arranged to administer the Pfizer vaccine to children without informing parents and children of the risks and shortcomings associated with this novel agent:

- 1) Heart inflammation and injury in young males is now explicitly stated in the Pfizer patient information sheet:
“Myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle) and pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart) have occurred in some people who have received the vaccine, more commonly in males under 40 years of age than among females and older males. In most of these people, symptoms began within a few days following receipt of the second dose of vaccine..... You should seek medical attention right away if you have any of the following symptoms after receiving the vaccine: Chest pain, Shortness of breath, Feelings of having a fast-beating, fluttering, or pounding heart”¹.

This information must be presented to prospective recipients before they submit for vaccination.

- 2) This mRNA vaccine is commonly associated with reproductive disturbances in females, including amenorrhoea (loss of menses), dysmenorrhoea (painful menses) and menorrhagia (Heavy and prolonged periods).² The reason for this frequent complication is unclear, and the duration of menstrual disruption is unknown.
- 3) The vaccine has extremely limited efficacy against the Omicron variant³, which is a milder form of COVID-19 that is clinically equivalent to the common cold in children. Children who contract Omicron will universally recover to develop robust natural immunity against the most recent, prevailing variants, without incurring the risks associated with the mRNA vaccine.
- 4) Vaccine efficacy wanes rapidly, and children will require multiple shots per year if the intent of inoculation is to maintain protection against spread.⁴
- 5) The risk of cardiac injury increases substantially with each subsequent exposure to the vaccine⁵,
- 6) The Trinidad and Tobago Ministry of Health has failed to set up an accessible Vaccine Adverse Event Surveillance System to address persons who suffer injuries.
- 7) The Ministry of Health (MoH) fails to provide adverse event liability or vaccine injury compensation, nor avail support to any person who suffers as a consequence of vaccination.
- 8) The MoH refuses to investigate, contact, or acknowledge any vaccine injury victim in Trinidad and Tobago:
 - a. A 16-year-old male with confirmed myo-pericarditis, arrhythmia, and hypertension, being treated with antiarrhythmics.
 - b. A wheelchair bound 19-year-old female with progressive tremors, weakness of lower limbs, and chest pains, being evaluated for a possible vaccine related spinal injury.
 - c. A 26-year-old female with confirmed Transverse Myelitis and persistent left sided hemiparesis (weakness) and a history of neck down paralysis which occurred 1 day after receiving the Pfizer Vaccine.

Failure to provide transparent risk counselling, injury liability, compensation or any bonafide facet of voluntary informed consent. constitutes a breach in medical ethics and is an affront to the Patient Charter of Rights and Obligations. RPGTT requests that COVID-19 vaccination in children be halted immediately until the MoH amends its consent process to include a declaration of cardiac and menstrual risk, a statement of liability and injury recourse, and establishes a functional Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System.

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FDA Safety Surveillance of COVID-19 Vaccines : **DRAFT Working list of possible adverse event outcomes** *****Subject to change*****

- Guillain-Barré syndrome
- Acute disseminated encephalomyelitis
- Transverse myelitis
- Encephalitis/myelitis/encephalomyelitis/
meningoencephalitis/meningitis/
encephalopathy
- Convulsions/seizures
- Stroke
- Narcolepsy and cataplexy
- Anaphylaxis
- Acute myocardial infarction
- Myocarditis/pericarditis
- Autoimmune disease
- Deaths
- Pregnancy and birth outcomes
- Other acute demyelinating diseases
- Non-anaphylactic allergic reactions
- Thrombocytopenia
- Disseminated intravascular coagulation
- Venous thromboembolism
- Arthritis and arthralgia/joint pain
- Kawasaki disease
- Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome
in Children
- Vaccine enhanced disease

Source: USFDA CBER Plans for Monitoring Covid-19 Vaccine Safety and Effectiveness
<https://www.fda.gov/media/143557/download>