



OFMF PAC QUESTIONNAIRE

Questionnaire to be completed by the candidate

All responses are confidential and will be discussed by the OFMF Board of Directors and PAC Committee

Candidate Name: Reed K. Christensen (for governor)

Legislative District Number: House: Senate:

County Seat:

Oregonians for Medical Freedom mission is to protect vaccine exemptions, promote informed consent rights, and preserve medical privacy for all Oregonians.

1. On a scale of 1 to 10 (1 lowest and 10 highest) – how supportive are you of our mission and why?

Based on my current knowledge I would say 10.

The basis of my campaign is asking Oregonians to live by the principles of the US Constitution and to reject orders, mandates, or laws that violate our freedoms as enshrined by that document.

2. In 1986, The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act was passed with the purpose to eliminate the potential financial liability of vaccine manufactures due to vaccine injury claims and created the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Compensation Program. This program has paid out over \$4 billion and has become a very expensive and cumbersome process for parents with estimates of only 10% filing. Do you believe this Act should be amended to support families and why?

Any medical procedure has risk/reward associated with it. If taking a vaccine was based on free choice, and if a vaccine had a low risk profile (which it should), why couldn't a drug manufacturer handle the cases where someone reacted negatively? Seems to me they should have to handle their own liability.

(The thing most likely to mess up that plan would be the sorry state of our legal system – both for those who are truly injured and file, and those who get wrongly sued. But that is a different issue.)

3. In 1986 the childhood chronic illness rate was 12.6% and according to a 2012 report funded by Health and Human Services (HHS) by 2012 the childhood chronic illness rate had increased to 54%. What role do you believe vaccines are contributing to this skyrocketing increase?

I don't know. It may be one of those questions that is impossible to know the answer.

A definitive answer cannot be based on anecdotal examples. To really know you would have to randomly choose 1000's of children at birth to be assigned to controlled groups. To either get a vaccine or to not get one – *for each vaccine*. That would be impossible (and immoral) to do.

This is why government should tread very lightly when it comes to mandating or requiring medical procedures. A large number of decisions in life are difficult like this. When dealing with children their best bet is for parents, the people who love them, to make those decisions – especially decisions that come with potential life-and-death affects.

4. How much power should the government have to coerce children and adults to be vaccinated according to the CDC's recommended schedule even if specific vaccines on the schedule were deemed inadvisable by the individual's doctor or if some vaccines violate their sincerely held religious beliefs and practices?

I've been thinking about this since the "flu-that-will-not-be-named" became the reason that our governments at all levels decided that we no longer had rights as American citizens.

Obviously, people have the right to make their own medical decisions for their life or the life of their children. On the other hand, is there a community interest that requires the government to get involved?

For example, the polio vaccine came out when I was a kid, and that immunization program did prevent children being crippled and people being trapped in iron lung machines. (While acknowledging the potential adverse affects that every medical procedure can have.) Was the program justified?

I haven't fully developed these thoughts, but it seems to me you can start with the government must never be trying to coerce a medical procedure with punishments of fines and jail time. That is nothing more than un-American government power.

And certainly government should never be allowed to attempt coercion with something that restricts an inalienable right from God, like speech (speak against a vaccine), assembly (free to travel, meet with family, groups), or religion (right to meet). All of which are protected by the Constitution and yet were thrown out the door by our political class during the last couple of years.

The furthest a government should be allowed to go is a limited restriction to some service. If a local government school wants to require a list of vaccines, the local government might refuse attendance to someone who did not want the vaccine risks.

But that kind of restriction would only be acceptable in an atmosphere of freedom where school funding was given directly to parents, where lots of quality schools vied to serve kid's needs and parent's choices, and where people were not trapped in a government monopoly school system.

5. In 2015 and 2019, bills were introduced to remove Oregon's vaccine exemptions for school children that have been in place for decades. This would have prevented children from attending school if their families opted out of even one vaccine for religious or some medical reason. What would you do if similar legislation were introduced while you are in office?

This issue would be a moot point. The State should NOT be involved in education.

The State Dept of Education needs to be torn down and thrown away – all of it. The only reason for such a department is for state control of kids and parents.

A legal framework of freedom is needed that allows education choices and alternatives to thrive. All monies collected in the county for education should be given directly to parents – not to some government entity.

If a local government can run a local school district that parents like, then the parents will send their kids there and fund it. If the school district starts acting like know-it-all who tell parents to shut up and do what I say, parents can tell them to go pound sand and take their kids elsewhere.

6. How do you envision building medical freedom into a bipartisan issue (assuming you agree)?

The message of limiting government power in order to allow people with different beliefs to thrive and live free is has always been the basis of the American Founding. It seems like this would be an easy concept and an easy message to get across to people.

Yet, we have had almost a hundred years of Americans being conditioned to the idea that only government "experts" and bureaucrats can make the proper decisions for them. I'm afraid there is no alternative to getting people to see the folly of tyranny and to accept the truth and wisdom of freedom than to change people's hearts one by one. That is something I am more than willing to attempt.

7. If you were to rank your top legislative priorities, what would you say they are?

The document I call the Charter of Liberty has 15 items that I see that need addressing in Oregon. Of the first four items, these three are at the top of the list:

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- (2) Ban imposition of mandated health and medical practices
 - (3) Move school funding directly to Parents
 - (4) Dissolve the State Dept of Education and pass a legal framework of Education freedom.
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8. What committees are you interested to serve on?

Not Applicable

Do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

1. Individuals should be free to decline vaccines for themselves or their children without consequence or interference.
Y or N - [see answers above](#)
2. Vaccine mandates should not be required for any employment.
Y or N
3. Vaccinations are medical procedures and should only be performed with informed consent, meaning an individual should be made aware of the pros and cons of the procedure, including any potential negative side effects before being given a chance to agree to the procedure. Do you support informed consent for all medical procedures including vaccines?
Y or N
4. An individual's vaccination status should be privacy-protected information. Do you believe schools should have access to this information for enrollment?
Y or N - [see answers above](#)
5. In the case of an infectious disease outbreak, would you support legislation to require all children and adults to be vaccinated even if it violates their sincerely held religious beliefs and practices?
Y or N
6. Do you support informed consent legislation to provide detailed information to parents regarding possible vaccine adverse events and contraindications (as a pharmacist does with a prescription) prior to a child being vaccinated?
Y or N
7. Do you support new legislation that would require that any health professional provide not just the positive effects of vaccinations but the entire full list of ingredients and side effects and before a vaccine could be administered?
Y or N
8. For a vaccine to be able to create and sustain community immunity, it must be able to prevent not only the symptoms of disease but also the transmission of a communicable infection, and an individual's vaccine protection from the targeted infection must not wane away. Are you aware that most of today's vaccines are incapable of doing this, and thus do not provide "community immunity?"
Y or N
9. Are you aware that many serious vaccine reactions or long term adverse events do not qualify a child for a medical exemption for school required vaccines due to the very strict guidelines put forth by the Advisory Committee of Immunization Practices, which limits medical exemptions to cover only a handful of conditions and will not allow exemptions based on family health history?
Y or N
10. Do you support legislation that would require pre-screening prior to vaccination for susceptibility to vaccine injury due to family history, genetic variants, and individual biomarkers?
Y or N
11. Do you support legislation that would require independent scientific research on the cumulative biologic and health effects of aluminum adjuvants in vaccinations for the first six months of life?
Y or N
12. Are you aware that vaccines have side effects that are listed on the packaged insert but not handed out like when you go to a pharmacy for a prescription?
Y or N
13. Do you have concerns that the rate of chronic illness in children occurs in 54% of children?
Y or N
14. Do you believe vaccine mandates for children are appropriate to attend school?
Y or N – [see answers above](#)
15. Will you be willing to work with OFMF on a new Bill for the 2021 legislative session?
Y or N

16. DO you believe children should be prevented from attending school if they are missing any doses of any vaccine, even if for medical reasons not covered by the official medical exemption system? Or if their families are abstaining from all or some vaccines for religious reasons?

Y or N – [see answers above](#)

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RKC__ I am intentionally seeking the endorsement of the Oregonians for Medical Freedom PAC.

RKC__ I understand that the Oregonians for Medical Freedom PAC is an organization whose mission is to protect vaccine exemptions, promote informed consent rights, and preserve medical privacy for all Oregonians.

RKC__ I have answered all of the questions in this questionnaire truthfully and to the best of my knowledge, and I have not intentionally or knowingly omitted information that might reflect poorly upon my qualifications or character and fitness for the office sought.

RKC__ I acknowledge that violation of any of these terms and conditions, or any intentional or knowing untruthful response, may result in Oregonians for Medical Freedom PAC revoking its endorsement.

Reed K. Christensen

Signature

24 February 2022

Date