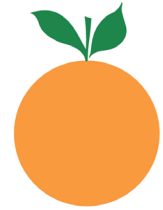


PEDIATRIC ASSOCIATES VACCINATION EXEMPTION STATEMENT



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We do understand that parents and families may have individual beliefs or personal feelings with regard to vaccination. While those families may not agree with our vaccine policy, we do ask that you respect our decision to ensure our patients receive the highest quality evidence based medical care.

Patients who refuse certain vaccines put themselves at unnecessary risk for major illnesses. Additionally, their decision puts our most fragile patients (newborn babies, patients with chronic illnesses, etc.) at risk as well.

Considering all the scientific evidence that supports the value and safety of vaccination and understanding the real risk of not immunizing all eligible children, we are committed to ensuring all children are immunized.

There are a few specific medical reasons why certain vaccines may not be recommended for your child (allergies to components). In those rare cases, we will honor a certified medical exemption. However, since most religions support vaccination, in good conscience, we cannot support religious exemptions.

It is our sincere hope that all parents will embrace the importance of vaccination and minimize the risk of illness from these deadly diseases. However if you feel you cannot commit to this expectation, then we will respect your right to identify an alternative pediatrician for your family.

If you have questions or need clarification, one of our clinicians will be happy to discuss this with you when you come in for your visit.

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