

DATE: _____, 20____

Dear Dr. _____, M.D.

This notarized statement is certifying to you my claim of protection under 22 Pa. Code §23.84.* after long and careful consideration and study; weighing all pros and cons; my child, _____ date of birth: _____ SSN# ____ - ____ - _____ will not be receiving any vaccinations. My reasons are personal, medical and religious.

Any vaccinations administered to my child will be against my knowledge and consent and, therefore will be considered an assault with a potentially deadly weapon. I will file charges against the facility, attending staff and any other persons who violate my right to make this informed decision for my child.

I also will not tolerate any conversations directed toward me regarding my decision in an effort to try to change my mind or convince me otherwise. This will be considered harassment and charges for this will be filed against the person, attending staff and facility at which this occurs.

I am insisting that a copy of this notarized statement be placed in my child's file and that it remain there. I am also adamant that this be placed in my child's chart so that no matter when or where my child is seen by medical personnel and my wishes are well known to the treating staff. I will periodically check to be sure that this is carried out. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sabrina M. Bowen

I hereby certify by notarization that immunization for my child is contrary to my conscientiously held beliefs.

_____, 20____

Signature of parent

Date

Subscribed to me and sworn to me this ____ day of _____ 20____.

Signature of Notary



Official Seal

My commission expires: _____, 20____.

(If applicable)

§23.84.Exemption from immunization. (a)*Medical exemption.* Children need not be immunized if a physician or the physician's designee provides a written statement that immunization may be detrimental to the health of the child. When the physician determines that immunization is no longer detrimental to the health of the child, the child shall be immunized according to this subchapter. (b)*Religious exemption.* Children need not be immunized if the parent, guardian or emancipated child objects in writing to the immunization on religious grounds or on the basis of a strong moral or ethical conviction similar to a religious belief. **Source** The provisions of this §23.84 amended through September 17, 1982, effective August 1, 1983, 12 Pa.B. 3288; amended August 22, 1997, effective August 23, 1997, 27 Pa.B. 4317. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (164332) to (164333) and (129145). **Cross References** This section cited in 22 Pa. Code §11.20 (relating to nonimmunized children); 22 Pa. Code §51.13 (relating to immunization); 28 Pa. Code §23.85 (relating to responsibilities of schools and school administrators); and 28 Pa. Code §27.77 (relating to immunization requirements for children in child care group settings).