

Vaccine Freedom Election Survey (Responses)

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Patrick Seymour	Caledonia-4 House of Representatives	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Lawrence W. Hamel	Vt House Caledonia 2	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Randy Gray	State Senate-Windsor District	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I agree with your philosophy on vaccinations. I do however have some reservations on requirements for attending public schools. I feel some vaccines a necessary for public safty but I don't feel all vaccines should be required. I am very concerned with mercury and other dangerous items found in vaccines and do feel pharmaceuticals should be responsible for endangering the public.
James Fitzgerald	Franklin 3-1	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	No	Yes			No	
Wayne Vernon Estey	State Senate, Windham County	Democrat	Disagree	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	The value of vaccines are wildly miss understood. The misinformation distributed is often one sided and unsupported. The science is often spurious.
Vicki Strong	Orleans/Caledonia 1	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Maxine Grad	Washington-7 State Representative	Democrat	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Thank you for your leadership!
Chip Trolano	Caledonia 2	Democrat	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Ben W. Joseph	Grand Isle -Chittenden State Representative	Democrat	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
David Ainsworth	Windsor/ Orange 1	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	There are some vaccines which should be given to all children and others which may or may not be needed. Should be decided by Doctor and family.
Robert Hooper	Chittenden 6.1	Democrat	Disagree	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	This is a very serious issue and I feel that it is not respected by your YES OR NO format. I am very sensitive to individual rights. But I think this deals with health on both sides of the needle and lots of folks in the "crowd". I would be happy to reflect upon my position with some one personally or in a different format than the unfortunate parameters of an agree or disagree yardstick. I do not feel this survey does the subject justice, unless the objective is to create a push poll or selectively eliminate people from consideration. Thanks for the interest. H. and NOW see that all questions must be answered to even submit a response so I am saying NO to everything ONLY to be able to submit. Reflecting those answers without noting this conversation would be questionable thanks.
Ron Horton	State Senate for Essex/Orleans Counties	Democrat	Agree	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I wish your questions were a little more broad. I'm not the expert on this subject, however, I would certainly pursue the correct answers to the problems faced with vaccinations. As for Religious reasons for not vaccinating a child I feel that is not a good enough reason if the vaccine clearly is beneficial and there is a risk to others if someone is not vaccinated. Religion is used far to often in political decisions. We need to move away from that and support non-partisan scientific studies that provide solid information.
Seth Hopkins	Rutland-6 (state representative)	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
John Nagle	Chittenden 9-2 Colchester	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	True Freedom , means your freedom to choose what is injected into your body.
Andrew Perchlik	State Senate - Washinton County	Democrat	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	While I believe that vaccination choice is a constitutional (and human) right, I don't believe it supersedes others rights. I also support school's and other organization's right to not allow some non-vaccinated persons from participating in their classes/programs under certain situations (like if there is an outbreak of a disease treated with vaccinations).
Joshua Aldrich	Franklin 5 State Rep	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
Ken Alger	Washington County Senator	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	I would not legislate to completely eliminate discretion wholesale on vaccination status, there are jobs that may require this in certain instances, such as working with contagions. I am very supportive of people's freedom to choose their own lifestyle choices, regardless of my personal values and beliefs. This extends to ensuring that people who do not want their children subjected to mandatory vaccination have the right to decline; however, I also believe in the freedom of others to choose if they do not want to be exposed to children who have not been vaccinated.
Jane Pompeo	Caledonia 3 House of Representatives	Democrat	Agree	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Brian Collamore	State Senate, Rutland District	Republican	Disagree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
											While I am always willing to listen to and read differing opinions, I strongly believe that vaccines are one of the wonders of modern medicine. I have three children, all of them are fully vaccinated. My mother had polio as a child and to go from the dread and panic her mother felt to the security my wife and I have about our children's health in just two generations feels like a miracle.
											I support the right of parents to know what is contained in vaccines—knowledge should never be stymied. I also support the rights of parents to sue doctors or vaccine companies if a vaccine has injured a child. And I support the rights of parents not to vaccinate their children.
											But I strongly believe parents do not have the right to force exposure to their unvaccinated child on others. Herd protection is needed for people with compromised immune systems as well as the very young and the very old. Not vaccinating your child is a parents' choice, but I have few misgivings with the idea that such parents are forfeiting the right to send their child to a public school or other community funded institutions.
											We have made amazing advances thanks to the benefit of vaccinations. I do not wish to see our society as a whole stumble backwards on this when there is no proven medical justification.
William Notte	Rutland 5-4	Democrat	Disagree	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Mary Beerworth	Franklin-2	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Rodney Graham	Orange-1 State Representative	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
											Your questions do not allow for discussion. They would serve you better if rewritten. I will support the items above but am unlikely to sponsor the legislation until I read the bills. If you are aware of my remarks on the House Floor when the philosophical exemption was removed, you will understand full well where I stand. Thank you
Jim Masland	Windsor-Orange 2	Democrat	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Mary A. Morrissey	House of Representatives -Bennington 2;	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Please review my voting record on this topic. It will show my strong support of your view on this issue. Choice is important for parents to have when discussing mandatory vaccinations for their children.
John Stevens	Washington-1	Democrat	Disagree	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	

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Kathleen Orion	Chittenden - 2 Representative	Independent	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I feel very strongly about this.
David McWILLiams	3-2 district	Democrat	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
Tabitha Armstrong	Orleans Caledonia	Independent	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	While I believe that many vaccines are beneficial and prevent many children from dying every year, I do not believe that Government has the right to tell anyone what they can and cannot do with their bodies.
Sarah Toscano	House Chittenden 4-2	Republican	Agree	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Medical decisions CANNOT be compulsory.
Edward Larson	Vermont State Senate-Rutland County	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Charles Laramie	Governor	Independent	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	People have a right to decide not to put in their bodies or the bodies of their adolescent children anything they do not feel should be put there.
Matthew Sellers	Washington district 5	Independent	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I believe health care is a personal choice. I also believe the current leadership in Vermont and the Dept. Of Health continue to quell the voices of medical choice.
tim buskey	addison-3	Republican	Disagree	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	While Allopathic medicine has reached marvels in medicine, it is not the only medical model in the world and has its faults.
Vicki Strong	Orleans/Caledonia 1	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	filled out by Mary Metcalf as per telephone conversation with Tim 10 August 2020
Carol Krokenberger	Washington	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	If re-elected I will stand strong for vaccination choice! Thanks for all you do!!!!
susan bowen	chittenden senate	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I do not consent to this medical Tierney
Emily Peyton	Governor	Independent	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	We must all advocate for health choice, freedom and informed consent. Our bodies our choice. Make Vaccine Manufacturers Liable again!
Ferron Wombold	State Representative, Lamolle 3	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I believe we need to increase pressure on Congress, call them out for removing liability on these companies. It feels unlawful. The existing mandatory vaccinations on children need to end, and instead have a tiered system of recommendation for them. Japan takes this approach. The mandatory vaccinations for children to attend school is a violation of the 4th amendment and article 11 of Vermont's constitution, only using the children as pawns. It's wrong.
Kumulia Long	Chittenden County, State Senate	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Jim Sexton	Write in candidate for Governor	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Miriam Berry	VT - at large	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I have been an advocate for all these things in the passband will continue to do so.
Hal Colston	Winooski Representative	Democrat	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Thank you to Heather Rice for taking the time to share her knowledge. I hope to work with your organization more once I am elected!
Hal Colston	Winooski Representative	Democrat	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I did not know about the immunity that vaccine companies have, but I would support investigations. People need to have choice, I think that is fundamental.
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Tom Chastenay	Chittenden Senator	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I did not know about the immunity that vaccine companies have, but I would support investigations. People need to have choice, I think that is fundamental.
Ginny Lyons	Chittenden Senator	Democrat	Disagree	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	I was unaware of the lack of liability. I would support the doctor. I would never force anyone to get a vaccination
Kylie Hollingsworth	Chittenden State Senate	Republican	Agree	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	I don't think that we need to intrude further on the doctor patient relationship. I don't think that we need legislation about it. We have already had the vaccination debate here in Vermont and we decided that there should be a religious exemption. I don't think we need to bring that debate up again. I think that having a doctor patient relationship is a human right. I think that pharmaceutical companies need to take more responsibility for the safety of their products.
Clem Bissonnette											I support vaccinations but I think that the choice should always be left up to the parent. I do not believe that vaccinations should be mandated and I think that we should honor religious freedoms. (editors note: she is aware of the policies currently in New York state that violate their constitutional religious freedoms.)
Rep Ann Pugh	Chittenden 7-2										I do not do any surveys my voting record Speaks for itself
Carol Ode		6-1 D		yes							While I appreciate the solicitation of candidate positions on the issues that are important to Vaccine Choice, I have never been a fan of surveys and questionnaires because I don't believe that they, by their very nature, can take into consideration all of the dynamics and new information and data that informs our work in the legislature. By design the questions need to be worded in a way that often requires black and white answers. For me that's not how this job is done. I consider specific proposals, weigh the positives and the negatives, try to think my way through the inevitable gray areas, propose changes if warranted, and then vote. I'm not going to commit myself to a particular response before I have a particular proposal and its inherent circumstances. So I am not filing out any of them this year. As an incumbent legislator with a voting record that spans over twenty years, I believe that actions speak louder than words. I would be happy to meet with any member of your organization to talk directly to them about the issues that are important to them.
Tim Guiles	Rutland-6	D									"I would like to learn about pharmaceutical company liability. I wonder whether we could add a few cents onto the cost of each vaccine to be paid into an insurance policy to cover the long term costs to care for those affected by negative vaccine reactions. I do believe negative reactions occur. However, I also believe just about every child should be vaccinated. Are there any tests that have been or might be developed that could identify those who would likely react negatively to a vaccination? If so, could we encourage development of such tests? I would like to support identifying the problem and figuring out how to make progress solving it. I would like to learn more at an info session."
James Harrison	RUT-WDR-1	R									Thank you for emailing me. I support informed consent when it comes to vaccinations. We should be able to choose what goes into our bodies. However, I felt somewhat boxed in with the wording of your questions so I chose not to complete your questionnaire.
Ferron Wombold	Cambridge/Waterbury Rep			y							Thank you for sending along your candidate survey. I have decided to refrain from all advocacy group surveys this year as it is very difficult to know ahead of time all the nuances that may come with an issue that comes before the legislature. Best wishes with your efforts and candidate information research.
											"I support freedom to choose. We haven't had the time to truly test and study a vaccine yet."