

Webisode 57DHYAA December 4 2025 The RFK Jr Methodical 20 year Quest to Dismantle Vaccine Policy

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0 RAWSEP View If you are not paying attention you may not notice that greed for money is driving RFK Junior to deny vaccines to all and especially at this time driving RFK Junior to deny vaccines to newborn babies For years RFK Junior made his living by joining in baseless lawsuits against vaccine providers As we have seen with Trump and his baseless lawsuit threats against research universities who often research and find cures for many forms of cancer using wealth to go after innocent plaintiffs can serve as extortion against those who do not have the money to continue to defend themselves in court endlessly Monetary settlement because of harassment in court is not what we think of when we think of legal justice but those who win in court congratulate themselves that they made the investment of their wealth in baseless lawsuits and indeed walked away from court with some unearned monetary prizes RFK Junior and Trump have much in common in that regard It is enough to make a person turn away from the news that only gets worse as more extortion of scientists and medical professionals creates rot in the very heart of our previously exemplary government services envied the world over RFK Junior may also feel that his weak intellect is bolstered by what he dimly must think are the cleverness of arguments that are made to deny vaccines to everyone but especially to newborn babies Facts to bolster his arguments are not there but the idiotic search is on even if it has been on for 25 years to link vaccines to autism The façade completely covers the idiocy in the RFK Junior view apparently Like Trump he has never had to look himself in the mirror objectively since both were born with a silver spoon in their mouths Any other person would be dismissed as the pathetic feeble minded wreck which is how RFK Junior presents himself Maybe that has helped him win in courtroom appearances but the wins are probably all from the wealth expended on cases and on his name recognition How horrible for a 35 year old second cousin of his that has terminal cancer to see that she will probably predecease RFK Junior and she will also probably die knowing that he will cause the unnecessary deaths of so many Americans with his greed and stupidity

One can only hope that on Friday this confederacy of dunces assembled will miraculously not vote to deny life and health saving vaccines to newborn babies On one side which is the side of outside agencies and doctors outside the committee now is on the side of science and rationality and evidence based decision making The other side which is on the side of the committee is on the side of greed led by lawyers like speaker Aaron Siri a lawyer who for years joined with RFK Junior in court battles over vaccines Will US Senator and Doctor Bill Cassidy the weak minded physician who weakly offered the deciding vote on RFK Junior be listened to at this late date as Cassidy realizes conveniently 11 months too late that this Kennedy is a loser? How could someone who is not a physician and someone who could not understand science and therefore rejects it be appointed to this position? Only if the appointer is a 34 count felon who is escalating his attacks on the American public in general as the months go on This situation is alternately boring and stupid as are the two principal offenders We

must pay attention to this but how much damage will be done to our formerly prosperous and envied nation? For those thinking about affordability how much of our taxpayer money has been and will be expended propping up this do nothing for the average American government? Will Republicans continue to sit on their hands as we are robbed by Trump and decimated by RFK Junior? Doctor Cody Meissner a professor of pediatrics at Dartmouth Geisel School of Medicine is widely considered to be the most qualified member of the committee but his arguments are so rational they will probably not sway the rest of the committee One can only hope

1 The RFK Junior Methodical 2 Decade Quest to Dismantle Vaccine Policy The health secretary has walled himself off from government scientists and empowered fellow activists to pursue his vaccine agenda **Excerpts edited for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates a 501C3 nonprofit organization** The New York Times December 4 2025 An examination of the RFK Junior tenure atop the massive health agency of the nation shows how in ways not previously known he has methodically laid the groundwork to overhaul American vaccine policy the RFK Junior efforts will be on full display Thursday and Friday when a panel of vaccine advisers handpicked by the health secretary after he fired the old group meets to reconsider the suite of vaccines given to young children Unraveling the vaccine schedule would mark a radical and experts say dangerous shift Public health officials warn that the RFK Junior succeeds measles and other infectious diseases will come roaring back jeopardizing the health of all American children Six medical organizations have taken RFK Junior to court accusing him of a clear pattern of hostility toward established scientific processes that has resulted in chaos throughout the health care system The federal government does not mandate vaccination that is up to states But the CDC recommendations provide a guide to state lawmakers and parents and **help dictate which vaccines insurance companies will cover** As secretary the RFK Junior controls billions of dollars in vaccine funding for low-income children **He has already threatened to withhold money from states that do not allow parents to opt out of vaccine requirements** His ultimate power is the bully pulpit He can shake confidence in vaccination or reinforce it This account is based on interviews with more than two dozen people including current and former government scientists activists and allies of RFK Junior Reporters also reviewed internal emails and interviewed RFK Junior twice While much of the RFK Junior work has been out in the open the review shed light on what he has done behind the scenes When a child died of measles in Texas just two weeks after the RFK Junior took over longtime CDC infectious disease experts sought unsuccessfully to brief him Instead RFK Junior consulted a doctor he met through the leader of the nonprofit he founded **promoting his alternative treatments while downplaying vaccination** When the RFK Junior wanted to learn about vaccines for malaria he turned to **a doctor who had worked with him on a petition in May 2021 asking the government to withdraw Covid vaccines from the market in the thick of the pandemic** She advised him against investing in malaria vaccines And he has enlisted a career CDC scientist who **questioned the validity of a 2004 study that concluded the measles vaccine was not linked to autism** Rejected by the CDC but he remained at the agency under government whistle-blower protections working quietly in its Division of Viral Hepatitis until RFK Junior arrived and began consulting him about vaccines and autism RFK Junior is particularly interested in having us examine isolated autism cases from decades-old data RFK Junior **personally directed the CDC to abandon its official position that vaccines do not cause autism** Within the past week he has **installed critics of Covid vaccines** as the No. 2 official at CDC and as chairman of the panel of vaccine advisers But **he rejected**

the idea that vaccines have been his main focus Coronavirus vaccines became harder to get after he announced new guidelines on social media in May sidestepping the usual scientific review process for what he called a common sense change The vaccines are now approved for people older than 65 and those with underlying medical conditions RFK Junior canceled a nearly 600 million dollar contract with Moderna the Covid-19 vaccine manufacturer that was working on an mRNA vaccine against bird flu for humans He also cut nearly 500 million dollars in grants and contracts to develop mRNA vaccines His critics say the cuts will diminish a promising new method to deliver vaccines and cancer treatments For the first time since the CDC founding nearly 80 years ago states are no longer listening to its advice Democratic-led states have formed their own coalitions to issue vaccine recommendations Ninety-two percent of Democrats say the benefits of the measles mumps and rubella vaccine outweigh the risks But just 78 percent of Republicans feel that way down from 91 percent a decade ago A new study RFK Junior shot back shows the opposite that vaccines cause autism The study associated with vaccine skeptics had been faulted as biased and flawed RFK Junior spent the first part of his career as an environmental lawyer and worked to eliminate mercury from waterways Since the early 2000s as chairman of the so called Health Defense of Children the nonprofit he ran until he launched a bid for the presidency in 2023 RFK Junior tried to build a case that vaccines were more hazardous and infectious diseases less dangerous than most people believed Measles outbreaks RFK Junior wrote in 2021 in an e-book published by his nonprofit have been fabricated to create fear that in turn forces government officials to do something Two weeks after senators voted narrowly to confirm him RFK Junior had his own measles outbreak to confront The disease was spreading in the tiny West Texas city of Seminole home to a close-knit community of Mennonite Christians who shun vaccination An unvaccinated six-year-old girl became the first person on American soil in a decade to die from measles Two top officials Doctor Debra Houry the CDC chief medical officer and Doctor Demetre Daskalakis the CDC top infectious disease expert each said that they had appealed to the RFK Junior staff to allow them to brief the secretary on the crisis brewing in Texas But the briefing never happened Doctor Houry the CDC chief medical officer said the top aides of RFK Junior demanded that she update the agency website to reflect anti vaccine advice RFK Junior also sent CDC epidemiologists who typically respond to outbreaks to the area and ordered the shipment of 2000 measles vaccines even as he insisted in a Fox News opinion piece that the decision to vaccinate is a personal one Health secretaries have routinely promoted vaccines especially during outbreaks Doctor Leila Myrick a local physician said about alternative treatments offered instead of medical intervention It was infuriating she said because we have our hospital right here Even more frustrating for Doctor Myrick and other mainstream doctors was the way RFK Junior contradicted Texas health officials and downplayed the danger of measles State health authorities said the first death was from measles and a second death in a school-aged child was from measles pulmonary failure RFK Junior has since managed to assemble more stalwart allies from his past vaccine crusades and put them in the health department and its various agencies including the CDC When asked during a Senate hearing in September to name scientists inside the CDC who have briefed him the RFK Junior mentioned only one Doctor Thompson the CDC whistle-blower This spring emails show Doctor Thompson was deeply involved in trying to obtain data for autism research RFK Junior also hired Mark Blaxill a businessman and longtime advocate for parents of children with autism who has argued that the CDC is committing fraud by concealing a connection between vaccines and autism He was assigned to work with the new committee of vaccine advisers that will discuss this week whether the

schedule of vaccines given to infants and toddlers should be revised. When the new panel convened for the first time in June the agenda included thimerosal the mercury-based vaccine preservative that RFK Junior and many in his movement had long viewed as a potential cause of autism. It had been removed from nearly all childhood vaccines but not flu vaccines in the early 2000s not for safety reasons officials said at the time but to assuage the concerns of parents. In preparation for the session Doctor Daskalakis the CDC top infectious disease expert said he asked agency scientists to assess the benefits and risks of thimerosal. Their 17-page report showed that while thimerosal in vaccines given to pregnant women had fallen steadily autism rates were still rising suggesting that the preservative was not to blame. The CDC posted the report on its website the night before the meeting. But during the meeting it suddenly disappeared. RFK Junior said in the interview that he was not aware of the document. In the end the vaccine advisers called for pregnant women and children to avoid flu vaccines with thimerosal a recommendation that mainstream scientists said was not rooted in evidence. It was a victory for the health secretary and his supporters. But it also brought simmering tension between the RFK Junior team and career CDC leaders closer to a boiling point. Doctor Jernigan Doctor Daskalakis and Doctor Houry were called into the offices of agency lawyers to explain how the document was created and posted. The Holy Grail Vaccine Data Over 31 years at the CDC Doctor Jernigan had led the response to dozens of disease crises around the globe. He set up testing when a deadly bird flu was killing vendors from Bangladeshi bird markets in 2012 and responded as the Ebola virus ripped through a maternity hospital in Sierra Leone in 2015. None of that he said had prepared him for the uncomfortable assignment he would face in the spring of 2025 opening up the Vaccine Safety Datalink to David Geier the man RFK Junior chose to examine decades-old medical records. Doctor Jernigan sensed that his job was on the line. In August his suspicions were confirmed. RFK Junior demanded that Susan Monarez the CDC director who had been on the job for less than a month fire career officials responsible for vaccine policy and accept policy changes without question. She refused she said and was fired. The next day Doctor Jernigan Doctor Houry and Doctor Daskalakis resigned. RFK Junior vowed was determined to pour money into vaccine safety studies that have never been done. He remains convinced that vaccines along with ultra processed foods and environmental toxins have fueled an increase in asthma allergies autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders that have been on the rise in recent decades when the number of childhood immunizations rose. There is no scientific proof. But RFK Junior is on a mission to change that. Vaccines he said must be a potential culprit because they became ubiquitous along that timeline. RAWSEP View and podcasts also became ubiquitous along that timeline and electric cars also became ubiquitous along that timeline. And lifesaving drugs against cancer became ubiquitous along that timeline. And autism has probably always existed and has only become known better because of increased testing.

## 2 Vaccine Advisory Panel Again Postpones Vote on Hepatitis B Shot for Newborns RAWSEP View

It seems the vote may only be postponed until Friday. After heated disagreements the committee members appointed by Health Secretary RFK Junior delayed the vote until Friday morning. It was the third time the vote had been postponed. Members of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices may decide to end the recommendation that babies get immunized against hepatitis B.

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Accusations that presenters were cherry-picking data and relying on speculation over science derailed a federal vaccine advisory panel vote on Thursday on whether to change a decades-long recommendation that all newborns be immunized at birth against hepatitis B. The committee deferred the vote to Friday because some members wanted more time to settle points of heated disagreement. The panel had postponed the vote twice before for similar reasons. At one point in the Thursday meeting Doctor Jason Goldman a liaison to the committee from the American College of Physicians angrily told the panelists that they were promoting this anti-vaccine agenda without the data and evidence necessary to make those informed decisions. Do what is right Doctor Goldman told them adding that the people chosen to present data to the committee did not have the data-driven background to make those presentations. The members of the panel the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices or ACIP were handpicked by Health Secretary RFK Junior after he fired all 17 of the original panelists. The committee is charged with shaping the vaccine policy of the nation. RFK Junior has frequently said that children get too many vaccines and too many at the same time and he has tasked the newly appointed committee with reviewing the safety and need for vaccines included in the childhood vaccine schedule including the hepatitis B shot. But so far the meetings of the panel have been distinguished by a level of turmoil divisiveness and dysfunction unknown to the staid mostly routine gatherings the panel held in the past. Tempers have flared. Insults have been traded. At the September meeting a hot microphone caught one panelist calling another committee member an idiot. And the committee members have been sharply divided on the relative benefits and risks of the vaccines they are tasked with discussing. On Thursday outside experts castigated the disorder of the meeting and what they saw as an inappropriate focus on the theoretical harm of vaccines over proven benefits. Today made clear that the members of this committee are more interested in sowing fear than advancing vaccine policy said Doctor José Romero a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics committee on infectious diseases. Parents deserve clarity what they got was chaos he added. The committee members were charged with making a decision based on the effectiveness of the hepatitis B vaccine its contribution to reducing infections and its safety. The first shot is given within 24 hours after birth to prevent infection with hepatitis B a highly contagious virus that can cause severe liver damage. But the format of the meeting broke with tradition in multiple ways. The agenda did not list speakers until the morning of the meeting or reveal the names of the working group for hepatitis B until pressured to do so during the meeting. And given the importance of their decisions the members were sharply criticized by outside experts for not using the established evidence-to-recommendations format which typically entails detailed presentations on effectiveness feasibility cost-benefit ratio and equity. Instead of a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention scientist speaking Cynthia Nevison a climate researcher at the University of Colorado presented data on trends in disease prevalence. Doctor Nevison is a former board member of Safe Minds an organization that supports the false theory that vaccines cause autism. Mark Blaxill a well-known anti-vaccine activist and self-described critic of the CDC who is now a staff member at the agency presented data on the safety of the hepatitis B vaccine pulling from studies that included papers published by David Geier a discredited researcher and outspoken vaccine critic. The agenda for Friday when the committee is scheduled to take up broader issues about the childhood vaccine schedule lists as a speaker Aaron Siri a lawyer who for years joined with RFK Junior in court battles over vaccines. But Senator Bill Cassidy Republican of Louisiana and a gastroenterologist noted on Thursday in a social

media post that Siri was not an expert on childhood vaccines Aaron Siri is a trial attorney who makes his living suing vaccine manufacturers Cassidy wrote The ACIP is totally discredited he added referring to the vaccine committee They are not protecting children The decisions of the committee are not legally binding but they have significant implications for whether private insurance and government assistance programs are required to cover the vaccines Remarks before the meeting by committee members Trump and RFK Junior had suggested that the committee was likely to vote in favor of delaying the vaccine for babies born to mothers who tested negative for hepatitis B Doctor Kirk Milhoan the newly appointed chair of the panel also indicated earlier in the week that the members would most likely recommend against universal vaccination at birth and instead recommend delaying vaccination for most babies until they are older The conversation grew most heated after Blaxill presented data that he said suggested the vaccines were harmful Doctor Hibbeln asked for any solid and reproducible evidence of harm from the vaccine When Blaxill responded that there was limited evidence of harm Doctor Hibblen snapped back So speculation and limited evidence? Got it Many public health experts are concerned about the hepatitis B vote because children are especially vulnerable to the virus More than 90 percent of infants who are infected develop chronic hepatitis B which can lead to cirrhosis liver failure and liver cancer compared with less than 5 percent of people who are infected as adults Each year in the United States more than 17 thousand infants are born to women who have hepatitis B But nearly one in five pregnant women are not tested for the virus and only about one in three women who test positive receive care according to a report released on Tuesday by the Vaccine Integrity Project an initiative dedicated to safeguarding vaccine use in the United States Congenital syphilis another infectious disease for which pregnant women are screened offers a comparison Denmark had no cases of congenital syphilis in 2023 the United States had nearly 4000 cases In her presentation Doctor Nevison contended that it was not the birth dose of the hepatitis B vaccine that had brought down cases of the virus It is the more targeted measures that have had the biggest effect in bringing down cases of hepatitis B she said The targeted measures are working attributed the decline to better screening of blood products safe sex practices and needle exchange programs But hepatitis B experts and pediatricians including some of the members of the committee questioned the source of the data and strongly disagreed with her interpretations This disease has gone down in the United States thanks to the effectiveness of our current immunization program said Doctor Cody Meissner a professor of pediatrics at Dartmouth Geisel School of Medicine who is widely considered to be the most qualified member of the committee When Doctor Robert Malone the vice chair of the committee who led the discussions said Doctor Meissner was opining Doctor Meissner retorted These are facts Robert Doctor Nevison said during her presentation that the risk transmission of the virus by other methods besides maternal transmission was overblown Only children living among Vietnamese immigrants and Hmong refugees are in significant danger of being exposed to the virus and so need the birth dose of the vaccine Chari Cohen president of the Hepatitis B Foundation This is not just a problem among immigrants or communities of color she said It is a virus that can affect all Americans As many as 70 percent of the roughly two million Americans with hepatitis B are unaware of their diagnosis Doctor Cohen said RFK Junior has long questioned the safety of the hepatitis B vaccine and claimed incorrectly that it was not tested properly He has also said without evidence that the vaccine causes autism and he has upbraided the CDC for recommending universal vaccination at birth