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### **AUTISM BECOMES AN EPIDEMIC**

#### **What is Autism?**

For those of you who do not know what autism is, it is scary indeed. Infants and children with autism run the gamut of neuro-psychiatric problems – from becoming suddenly quiet or silent to major antisocial behaviors. It is a heartbreaking disease because for most parents, their loved and loving child simply and suddenly “goes away.” Some seemingly don’t even recognize their parents, many can’t communicate, and many experience horrific repetitive and fit-like behaviors.

Some of these kids get better over time, though there is no known cure. The psychological, social, and economic ramifications of this disease are truly daunting. This is especially true now because autism is becoming epidemic. As the number of suffering families grows exponentially, any true scientific or medical thinker must ponder the things that have changed in recent years that may together be at the root of conditions like autism.

#### **Looking for Causes**

Perhaps the greatest major change in the US has been the stepped up rate and volume of vaccinations. The reason vaccinations are so suspect is that **so many infants and kids develop autism shortly or even immediately after their shots.** Doctors and public health officials call this *coincidence*. Even if the MMR shot itself does not cause autism, surely we should be able to see with clear eyes what is so glaringly apparent.

The common threads of vaccinations and autism-like syndromes are as clear as a bell. Even after the initial serum sickness (rash, flu-like problems, etc.) following vaccinations has disappeared, it becomes obvious that a percentage of kids suddenly go quiet. Their communication and speaking skills suffer, they go silent, and their entire speech development is slowed. This is so noticeable that it can be seen simply by observation.

These little mini-autistic episodes have to tell scientists something. Certain shots, or a combination of shots, can cause mini-autism that may be short lived or may last for months. Medical scientists ignore these observations because they are convinced that the mass inoculation of the public (herd immunity) is the way to fight “deadly” childhood diseases like measles, mumps, chickenpox, or even the remarkably rare hepatitis B.

Autism is now epidemic – second only to diabetes! In 1992 one person in 1,966 persons had cancer. In 1996 one child in 166 had autism. In the measles epidemic of 1925, one child in 154 got the measles. Autism now strikes one child in 62! That is topped only by the rate of diabetes of one in every 16 people.

Lots of experts feel that Alzheimer’s and autism are not only not new, but also very similar – a result of brain insult from a variety of sources, including mercury and aluminum from shots. Perhaps they are the modern day form of Mad Hatter’s disease from the 1800s. But where are our protective agencies? Is the fox protecting the hen house? Representative Dan Burton (R-IN) has said that the FDA and our other agencies are asleep at the switch.

#### **Just Take a Look**

The onslaught of more than 22 shots before age two surely takes its toll. Simple observation of children, their vaccination schedules, and their social and communicative skills and behaviors prove this with no study at all. Like government agencies, the medical establishment does not want to admit, or even examine, the possibility that a major mistake has been made.

- Dr. Bruce West, *Health Alert Newsletter*  
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