

## **Immunization Policy Pediatric Center of Carmichael**

The providers at Pediatric Center of Carmichael feel strongly that vaccination is a necessary part of childhood safety and health. This is not only our position, but that also of the American Academy of Pediatrics, our professional organization.

There is no scientific reason to fear or avoid vaccination. After careful consideration of patient provided input, literature search and our education, **we will no longer accept patients that refuse to vaccinate.**

As pediatricians, we are experts in interpretation of the available data pertaining to children and do not defer our expertise to social media or other sources of skeptical consideration.

We ask that, as your child's advocate, if you completely reject the idea of vaccination, that you seek a different practice for your child's healthcare. We do not want to place our other patient's health at risk, should an unvaccinated child be ill in our office.

In addition, if we don't insist on vaccination, we set up the very uncomfortable situation of having to possibly care for a child in an emergency situation with an entirely preventable disease.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date