

CDC Expert Vaccine Court Witness Now Claims Vaccines Cause Autism

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A pro-vaccine medical expert who has been utilized by the federal government to help defend liability cases in vaccine court caused controversy last week when he suggested that vaccines might cause autism.

Pediatric neurologist Dr. Andrew Zimmerman has served as an expert medical witness for the government on many occasions. He has a history of sworn testimony citing that vaccines do not cause autism. But in a new sworn affidavit, Dr. Zimmerman seems to take a 180 turn on his prior admissions.

He now claims that during a group of 5,000 vaccine-autism heard in court on June 15, 2007, he says he told DOJ lawyers during a side-bar that there are “exceptions in which vaccinations could cause autism.”

“I explained that in a subset of children, vaccine-induced fever and immune stimulation did cause regressive brain disease with features of autism spectrum disorder,” Dr. Zimmerman [now states](#).

Dr. Zimmerman claims that DOJ lawyers quickly fired him when they realized his position supported even a remote possibility of a connection. This firing helped to conceal the exchange between Dr. Zimmerman and DOJ lawyers to the public at large. Additionally, it appears that the DOJ intentionally

misrepresented Dr. Zimmerman's opinions in future litigations.

[According to TheHill](#), records show that on June 18, 2007, a DOJ attorney to whom Dr. Zimmerman spoke told the vaccine court: "We know [Dr. Zimmerman's] views on the issue. ... There is no scientific basis for a connection" between vaccines and autism.

Dr. Zimmerman says the DOJ's position is "highly misleading."

Rolf Hazlehurst is the parent of one autistic child whom Dr. Zimmerman states got autism from vaccination. Hazlehurst is a criminal prosecutor who told congressional staffers in 2013 that "if I did to a criminal in a court of law what the United States Department of Justice did to vaccine-injured children, I would be disbarred and I would be facing criminal charges. I think that scared the hell out of them."

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