

PE1574/E

October 23th, 2015

**To the Honorable Members of the Scottish Parliament:
Re: Efficacy of the HPV immunisation**

I would like to demonstrate my support for Petition and the presentation, which will be made by Freda Birrell on October 27th 2015 concerning the safety of HPV vaccines.

I am a lawyer from Spain. From many years, I have been working on the Personal Injury Liability related with adverse events, including vaccines.

I am leading 12 lawsuits in Spain against HVP Vaccines marketing companies and the Spanish Public Authorities (Ministerio de Sanidad). We are analyzing more cases now.

The Companies that market the vaccines and the Public authorities, both, they disclaim any liability for the adverse events. They think that the serious adverse events suffered by the girls are because of mental problems.

Two years ago, we got a very important pharmacovigilance information from the EMA. Now, we have been asked for causation analysis, but EMA does not want to investigate and EMA do not want to give us a "confidential information" from the companies. If we cannot access to that crucial information from the clinical trials and information from the companies pharmacovigilance studies, it is going to be impossible to make a complete review of the data. We are asking to make security meta-analysis to probe the real risk. EMA, companies, and Public Authorities from Europe do not want to make this important risk/security meta-analysis. We need what they call "confidential" information".

At the same moment, Public Authorities and EMA, they have to joined in this issue and make a real medical database, new studies post-marketing authorization and a right database of suspected cases.

At the Courts, they are making the same legal strategy: denied every link between the vaccines and the injuries. It is not fair. We have information. We have independent studies. The legal problem is about the consumers laws. It is impossible for a citizen to probe 100% that the vaccine is the 100% cause of the injuries. However, we can probe that there are many possibilities, real risks, if we take into account the scientific literature and the company's information.

On the other hand, if we want to give accurate information and increase the level of security, the Public Authorities need to make information protocol addressed to the citizens. This is the future in the vaccines risks/benefits information to the citizens.

We support from Spain this Petition,

Kind Regards,

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