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Don't Mix Vaccinations with Operations

The election is over, the results are not yet all in, and the impact on medical care and coverage is not yet known.

But there's a new twist to push vaccines. A program at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia is called, "Close Your Eyes. We'll Immunize." The hospital gives flu shots to children undergoing sedation or anesthesia if their parents give consent. During the latest flu season, nearly 2,100 children were vaccinated this way.

Several anesthesiologists took to social media to criticize the program due to how it could impact the child's operation, perhaps obscuring other physiological symptoms. They called it disturbing and crazy. In short, don't mix vaccinations with operations.

"Technically Speaking: 'Close Your Eyes, We'll Immunize' – A CHOP Initiative to Improv Influenza Vaccination Rates," Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, May 20, 2026: https://www.chop.edu/vaccine-update-healthcare-professionals/newsletter/close-your-eyes-well-immunize

X, Madhava Setty, board certified anesthesiologist, October 20, 2026: https://x.com/Madhava_Setty/status/2112748389095948682?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw%7Ctwcamp%5Etweetembed%7Ctwterm%5E2112748389095948682%7Ctwgr%5Ef4f715e0099db3875d6eb8c7118c8689d87b09d3%7Ctwcon%5Es1_&ref_url=https%3A%2F%2Fchildrenshealthdefense.org%2Fdefender%2Fhospitals-push-parents-vaccinate-kids-sedated-surgery-chop-initiative%2F

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