

## Kaiser Permanente and School-Based Health Centers

As parents we need to question the motives of all organizations, both public and private, who seemingly appear to be benevolent, but who are seeking access to our children through the delivery of health care in the public schools.

The Affordable Care Act and legislatures are redefining the relationship we have with our family doctor and our rights to direct the health care of our children. There is an intentional and deliberate blurring of the lines between education and health care. Parental rights are being legislated away at the behest of private and public organization who have determined that "they" know what is best for OUR children and then "they" scamper off to Salem (and Washington DC) so legislators will enact new laws that benefit them



In September, 2013 Kaiser Permanente published a request for proposal for [School-Based Health Centers for Capacity Building and Behavioral Health Projects](#). The proposal dedicates \$1.2 million over a 3-year period and intends "to award 3-5 Capacity Building grants in the \$40,000 range and 5-7 Behavioral Health Grants in the \$150,000 range". Kaiser Permanente states that "schools play a crucial role in the health of young people". Really? If we are to buy into this drivel, then this would imply that moms and dads do not play a "crucial role" in keeping their children healthy.

Speaking as a parent, my children belong to me, I make the decisions that affect the welfare, safety and health of my children. This is not the role of public education to meddle in the rights of parents and the health care decisions we make for our children.

With the increase in government intrusion into our private lives, it is incumbent upon parents to be educated and learn how to protect their families from this type of over-reach. Take a few minutes to read the following link entitled [Important Realities About School-Based Health Centers](#). This will help you counter the constant pressure that is being deliberately applied in an effort to remove parents from the health care decisions of their children. Parents in communities around the state are awaking and speaking out against the intrusive foray into the private lives of Oregonians. It is important to note that no where does the term "parent" appear in Kaiser Permanente's request for proposal.