

**Tennessee Liberty Alliance Presentation: 18 April 2015, Bearden Banquet Hall, Knoxville, TN**  
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**Childhood vaccines**...these days, it is hard to escape the near constant media coverage and public debate that surrounds this highly controversial topic. One of the most “hot-button” issues regarding medical care in our country today, many people find that -- after the dust of hysteria settles -- they are left confused and unsure about how to gather real information that can be used to make educated, informed decisions about the care of themselves and their children. It begs the question: can one truly give informed consent if one isn't truly, fully *informed*? How do we cut through the mumble jumble of rhetoric, heightened emotions, and fear? With FACTS! Good old-fashioned basic science paired with an understanding of how the vaccine world ticks, together form a powerful combo that can illuminate our path to fully informed consent and empowerment to make well-advised decisions for ourselves and our families.

The purpose of this presentation is to do just that: to provide a foundation of scientific facts and knowledge that you can use to formulate a vaccine plan for your family that you feel educated and confident about. Topics to be covered include:

- An overview of the history of vaccines
- A look at the rationale and process of the current CDC vaccine schedule
- An in-depth discussion of the immunology of vaccines and how it relates to the developing immune system of a child
- A look at the epidemiological concept of “herd immunity”
- Understanding the difference between vaccination and immunization
- An objective look at the ingredients in vaccines (and their rationale)

The goal of this presentation is not to tell you whether or not you should vaccinate...this is ultimately your job to decide. The hope is that, by attending, you will leave with more factual knowledge than you came in with, and that it will assist you on your way to making more empowered medical decisions for your family.

**About your speaker:**

Dr. Katie Caputo holds a doctorate degree in Naturopathic Medicine from the National College of Natural Medicine in Portland, Oregon, one of only five Naturopathic schools in the United States that awards degrees in licensed primary care medicine. She has a special interest in the care of children and families, and has received specialized education in the controversial subject of childhood vaccinations.