

Submission:

Dear Sir / Madam,

**Re: Proposal to Screen Children of 0 to 3yo for Social and Emotional Wellbeing checks**

I would like to forward this Submission with regard to the proposal to screen 1.25 million children between the ages of 0 years of age to 3 years of age for the symptoms of what has been labelled as ***Emerging Mental Illness***.

Children between 0 years of age to 3 years of age will be screened for symptoms that are very ***normal to children of that age and older***.

Symptoms such as: -

- The child crying,
- The child calling out for a parent
- The child having trouble sleeping
- The child being shy and or having temper tantrums
- The child wanting to sleeping with the lights on

How can any of the above 'symptoms' be the source of any potential future mental illness.

These are 'symptoms' of normal childhood behaviour.

I would like to challenge you on showing me one child of that age who does not have a number of these symptoms. I could even go further and say these are symptoms of us all from time to time.

*We have lived on this Planet for eons of years without the need for this screening and any of these psychotic drugs.*

I have a *great concern* with this proposal to Screen 0 to 3years for Social & Emotional Wellbeing checks. I believe this will lead to more drugging of children.

The Department of Health initially provided the numbers of children on psychiatric drugs under the age of 6 years of. By 2015 the numbers of children between the ages of 2 to 6yo on psychiatric drugs were a horrifying 7817 children.

I don't understand why anyone would actually believe that children of that age need to be put on any psychiatric drug.

I also don't understand why the Department of Health no longer provide information of the number of children under 6yo on psychiatric drugs. I don't understand why they are withholding this information. Is it because they know it is not ok? Is it because they do not want people to know the truth?

It seems to me as more individuals are labelled as having some kind of 'mental illness' and being prescribe some sort of psychotic drug, the more rampart shootings are occurring around the world with the individual then committing suicide.

It is a fact that suicide is an effect of these anti-depressants / psychotic drugs. There are even suicide warnings on the anti-depressant / psychotic boxes.

Would you really want our Children our future generation to potentially commit suicide because of been given these psychotic drugs due to a *POTENTIAL* future illness?

It seems to me some people are quick to 'believe and agree' to statements of individuals without actually '*Looking*' at the statistics and '*Looking*' at the reality of what is happening. Surely one would make decisions on 'Facts' and not 'opinion', irrelevant of who it is giving their 'opinion'?

Our future children need love and unconditional care – not drugs – please do not allow the screening of 0 to 3yo for Social & Emotional Wellbeing Check be done.

Thank you.