BACKGROUND:
- Vaccine preventable disease levels are near record lows.
- Only 75% of American children are up-to-date with their vaccinations by the time they are 2 years of age.
- Only 35% of children in the U.S. have had all immunizations on time in accordance with national guidelines.

BARRIERS TO VACCINES:
- Personal beliefs
- Mistrust of government
- Religion
- Vaccine hesitancy
- Limited access to care
- Uninsured

WHY VACCINATE?
- Highly effective and easy way to keep your family healthy.
- Helps to provide immunity before children are exposed to potentially life-threatening diseases.
- Herd Immunity- large population who is not susceptible to being infected with a disease because of being vaccinated.
- Prevent outbreaks.

LONG TERM EFFECTS OF UN VACCINATION
- Preventable outbreaks
- Deaths
- Increased health care costs

NY STATE LAW ON VACCINATION
- Mandatory vaccination legislation varies state to state.
- **NY Senate Bill 2994 (June 2019):** or school immunization requirements.
- State laws establish vaccination requirements for school children.
- All states remove the religious exemption require children to be vaccinated against certain communicable diseases as a condition for school attendance (unless medically exempt).

FEDERAL LAW ON VACCINATION
- No U.S. Vaccination law exists.
- **House Bill Report EHB 1638:** Removes philosophical or personal objection exemption for the measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine.

WAYS TO PROMOTE VACCINATION
- Education about vaccines and vaccine safety.
- Cultivate a trusting relationship between provider and patient.
- Eliminate false publications on vaccine associated diseases.

CONCLUSION
- Vaccines offer the best protection against devastating and preventable diseases like measles.
- There is a lot of variability from state to state on mandatory vaccinations.
- Vaccine preventable disease can save lives and decrease health care costs.

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