



Repeal 43 *criminalizes traditional loving & firmly guiding parenting*, while *inflicting increased harms* including child abuse and violence rates.

We advocate *Protecting Children, Family & Society* by placing good sense ahead of harmful ideology.

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We recently contacted Save the Children on Facebook. This is one of the criminalization of traditional parenting advocates.

They provided a polite reply on their “position”. As is typically the case, their response contained a list of claims either completely debunked or not supported by any sound science.

The following is the conversation. We believe that we won’t change any minds there. People who have extreme ideological views are rarely persuaded by facts or science, and typically resent being confronted with anything that disturbs their preconceptions.

Our NGO (Keep 43) could not post there so Harold Hoff (Keep 43 Chair) posted under his own name...

This is our conversation:



Save the Children Canada ✓
Charity Organization

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Save The Children Canada is a Repeal 43 Supporter. In short, they promote criminalizing the 82% of parents who use minor force in child-rearing.

The research is utterly clear from countries who have experimented with this ridiculous ideology: Increased Child abuse rates, child violence rates, increased physical assaults / bullying at school, increased Child rape rates, children hospitalized for emotional / psychological issues, Increased abduction and trafficking of children by "protection" services. Norway and Sweden are now the worst children's rights offenders in the West, and they use these criminalization of parenting laws to destroy the family and steal children to fund their "industry"

Save the Children are child predators disguised as a benevolent org. Appalling and disgusting. BOYCOTT these people and never give them a dime!

The Keep 43 Committee of Canada
Protecting Children and Families from harmful ideologies, and child predators like Save the Children Canada



Save the Children Canada Hi Harold,

Thank you for reaching out and letting us know your concern, we're always appreciative when our community reaches out. In response to your comments and concerns, there are several pieces of information we would like to share with you. Firstly, the research you have referenced is untrue. Few parents believe that physical punishment is effective, most believe it is unnecessary and harmful. There is strong evidence that physical punishment places children at risk for physical injury, poorer mental health, impaired relationships with parents, weaker internalization of moral values, antisocial behaviour, poorer adult adjustment and tolerance of violence in adulthood.

Child protection is a key priority for our domestic and international programs. We support parents and caregivers to understand the underlying causes of violence to make children's lives safer. These programs support positive parenting and provide support for families at risk. This approach seeks to prevent violence and abuse from the outset by reducing the factors that make families vulnerable to violent behavior and by strengthening parents and caregivers child rearing skills.

Kind regards.

Post 1:

Thank you for your reply. Unfortunately, I cannot post the URL to our Fedal org here, the Keep 43 committee of Canada. (so you'll have to google it). By the way, I am arguably the 6th-ranked expert on parenting systems and child-discipline science in North American. May I humbly suggest (as I've researched this for 14 years) that I likely know more about it that you do?

What you say is completely false on several fronts:

1) 40 years of parenting system research (Baumrind et al, UC Berkeley) shows that "Authoritative parenting" (or traditional) systems, highly nurturing, demanding (setting age appropriates limits) and responsive (consistency in enforcing these limits) produce the developmentally best results. Authoritative parents, work through a spectrum of prevention, interventions and enforcements (consequences) called "PIE" and all use occasional and moderate spanking as a back-up to other methods. So right there, you've been deceived by whatever "advocacy" research (Gershoff? Straus? Durrant?) you've been seduced by and as such, you support this?

2) Studies of countries with long-standing spanking bans have been objectively studied, and none show any improvement on any measure, but they all show an increase in NINE definable harms, including increased rates of serious physical assault & child abuse, increased child on child violence rates, increased child rape rates, increased behavioral and psychological issues requiring medication, increased abduction and trafficking of children by the so called 'protection' industry, increased substance abuse rates as children grow up with inferior emotional & psychological resilience from inferior positive-permissive-disengaged parenting systems they've been legislated into) and so on. And you support this?

When you take donations, and use that money to actively support legislation to criminalize 82% of Canadian Parents who use some MINOR force in child-rearing, THIS is what you advocate. Stop advocating HARMS on children and families when you obviously do not know what you're doing. Since you don't know what you're doing then just stay out of an area you obviously know nothing about. It's not your mandate anyway.

3) Sweden: since their spanking ban 1979: (to 2010) child abuse up 2,200%, child on child violence up 2,555%, children assaulted at school before graduating 6-in-10, child rape rates up, 7,200% - and you support this?

Austria: generation growing up under the 1989 ban ... youth violence rate to 2000 was 400% of US per-capita rate. Austria has the highest school bullying rates of a 27 country study (WHO, 2002), and you support this?

New Zealand:: since their 2007 ban, to 2013, children hospitalized for serious behavioral issues / violence up 138%, serious child abuse more than double and is triple the Australian rate where moderate spanking is as utilized as in Canada (80% to 87% depending on polls). And you support this?

4) Research is clear that the criminalization of traditional parenting deters child births and collapses fertility rates by up to one-half child per female. Now lends well to the U.N.'s depopulation (of Westernized countries) agenda. Perhaps that's why you support this?

Anyway, as long as you are predatory against the family and work to harm children, there will be voices against this. Your Org is already on a several NGO child-predator watch lists and has made it to our boycott list because of

your anti-child stance. You believe in a debunked ideology, not in saving children and that is truly sad. Thank you, please clean up your act.

Post 2: I should add that your claim about the "research" suggesting this or that, is simply slanted material designed to promote a certain narrative.

If you actually looked at CLINICAL research, you'd find there are actually only 4 clinical studies of spanking in real time that have ever been done. FOUR. And they all indicated that spanking was more effective than any other discipline method at enforcing timeout (i.e., a backup to timeout). There is not one clinical study of spanking that supports an anti-spanking perspective.

Would you be interested in reading our response to the S-206 "Repeal 43" speech in Senate? It is here:

<https://www.keep43.ca/app/download/7245998271/S206+-+An+Analysis+and+Response+to+Sen.+Sinclair%2C+2nd+Reading.pdf>

Would you like to know what the result of Sweden' "spanking ban" really was, you can read that here:

<https://www.keep43.ca/app/download/7245738500/Sweden+-+The+Canary+in+the+Coal+Mine.pdf>

Would you like to see a small sampling of the results of "positive parenting"? Yes, a small study but completely supports the broad observations in Sweden, Austria, New Zealand, and so on ...

<https://www.keep43.ca/app/download/7246059746/Relating+Parenting+Style+and+Reports+of+Sanction.pdf>

Perhaps this will best explain how and why you've been seduced by junk science in child-discipline research:

<https://www.keep43.ca/app/download/7245808462/2016-12+Larzelere+-+Children+and+Parents+Deserve+Better+Parental+Discipline+Research.pdf>

I doubt you'll read any of this, because those entrenched in some extreme ideological view usually can't stand the facts getting in the way, but I'm hoping that typical rational parents who come here will take a look, and educate themselves against this false narrative.

Appreciatively, Harold