

**Should parents get to
make decisions for their
children at all?**

Are parents the best decision makers for their own children?

- NO:
 - Sometimes they make very poor decisions
 - Usually the physician knows more about medicine than they do
 - Perhaps hospitals should have appointed pediatric decision makers to make all decisions for very young children

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or, if you agree with it,

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Should parents always have a right to make decisions for their children?

NO

- When children have the *ability* to make decisions for themselves, they should also have the *right* to make those decisions
- some children are better at making decisions than some adults
- If children *can* make their own decisions, then they are autonomous and so their decisions should be respected

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