

NBC News Medical Correspondent Spreads Medical Misinformation

NBC's senior medical correspondent John Torres came on NBC recently to the Pfizer vaccine after it was approved for children ages 5-11.

Many studies have come out to show that children are at minimal risk for Covid-19. More than two-thirds of parents are vaccine-hesitant.

Dr. Toress said 25% of cases are children. He said additionally that there have been 146,000 deaths, putting Covid in the top 10 causes of death for children.

In reality, less than 700 of America's 73 million children have died from Covid according to the CDC. The CDC says the mortality rate among children is higher for the flu than covid.

Additionally, Dr. Torres said there were no long-term risks to children, or if there were, they were very minimal. The FDA has said it does not know the long-term risks to children from the vaccine trial period.

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