In his opening statement at a hearing on vaccine safety, Rep. Waxman states that, with this series of hearings, Chairman Burton has repeatedly provided a forum for unsubstantiated allegations about vaccine safety that have alarmed and confused parents. Rep. Waxman also urges Chairman Burton drop his threats to subpoena patient information from the Vaccine Safety Datalink (VSD) project, a national database for monitoring vaccine safety, and instead accept the CDC's solution of working with the HMOs to create a process for allowing independent researchers access to the data. **Documents and Links**

- Rep. Waxman's Statement