

# Childhood Vaccine Injury: 11 Months Old Developed a Disabling Reaction to the Influenza Vaccine

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*Although perfectly healthy, Saba had a severe and life changing reaction to a 2010 flu vaccine at age 11 months.*

**She suffered severe brain damage and multi-organ failure. Saba has been diagnosed as having cerebral palsy from an acquired brain injury. Saba required and will continue to require intensive rehabilitation for the rest of her life.**

"We had a perfect pregnancy with Saba and an easy natural birth. Saba was a very healthy little girl who had a loving, cheeky & strong-willed personality.

**Saba has been diagnosed now as having cerebral palsy from an Acquired Brain Injury caused by the flu vaccination ('Flu-vax' by CSL).** She is a spastic quadriplegia (GMSCF level 5 - the worst) has epilepsy and respiratory weakness.

We are reminding you to be INFORMED and do your research before you make the decision to vaccinate your children with 'any' form of vaccine ~ Saba's Parents

This could have been prevented.

**The West Australian Health Department knew that there had been some terrible adverse reactions to the flu vaccine cc, particularly in children, but didn't issue a warning.**

The flu program continued for two more days. Parents continued to vaccinate their children, unaware of the permanent damage it had caused to Saba and dozens of other children. Fluvax is now banned for children under the age of five in Australia after hundreds of

children suffered from adverse reactions in 2010. See [this](#).

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## **[Settlement](#) for Saba Button, Severely Disabled After Flu Vaccine**

5 Jun 2014, [ABC News](#)

Below is an excerpt from the article.



Saba Button with her parents Kirsten and Mick in 2011.(ABC News)

The family of a West Australian child left severely disabled after receiving a flu jab has reached a settlement with the vaccine's manufacturer and the State Government.

**Saba Button suffered brain and organ damage after getting the Fluvax shot when she was 11 months old in 2010.**

Her parents launched legal action in the Federal Court against the vaccine's manufacturer, CSL Limited.

**CSL cross-claimed against the State of WA and the Health Minister.**

**All parties have reached a confidential settlement which has today been accepted by Federal Court Justice Michael Barker.**

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Her mother Kirsten Button said she was relieved the legal action had been finalised.

"It doesn't matter how much you have because you can't buy your health but it is a good outcome, and the fact that it's settled, we're quite a strong family and we have moved forward but I think having that hanging over your head as such can be stressful so now we can move forward knowing that it's all over."

Mr Button said the funds would help Saba continue ongoing therapy and explore new options both in Australia and overseas.

“This doesn’t just stop now, once all the cameras are gone, it’s back to business and we’ve got a lot to do with Saba,” he said.

### **Problems with flu vaccine sparked national ban**

**In his judgement, Justice Barker said Saba had suffered hypoxic brain injury and consequential, severe disabilities.**

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Her disabilities are profound and permanent. She will require constant care for the remainder of her life.

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Hundreds of children suffered adverse reactions after they were given the flu shot in 2010 with many of them taken to hospital.

It led to an Australia-wide suspension of the vaccination for children under five.

Authorities were criticised for not acting quickly enough to advise GPs of the problems or identifying that there was an issue.

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