

C. Everett Koop Quotes

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Drugs don't work in patients who don't take them.

~C. Everett Koop

Health care is vital to all of us some of the time, but public health is vital to all of us all of the time

~C. Everett Koop

Life affords no greater responsibility, no greater privilege, than the raising of the next generation

~C. Everett Koop

The target audience goes back to conception. That means pre-natal care, safe delivery, post-natal screening, and the ordinary stuff you do in pediatrics.

~C. Everett Koop

You can't talk of the dangers of snake poisoning and not mention snakes.

~C. Everett Koop

A thousand people will stop smoking today. Their funerals will be held sometime in the next three or four days.

~C. Everett Koop

In thirty-five years of medicine I have never seen one case where abortion was necessary to save a mother's life.

~C. Everett Koop

The best prescription is knowledge.

~C. Everett Koop

Cigarette smoking is clearly identified as the chief, preventable cause of death in our society.

~C. Everett Koop

Your choice of diet can influence your long term health prospects more than any other action you might take.

~C. Everett Koop

All of the western world raises its children uncircumcised and it seems logical that, with the extent of health knowledge in those countries, such a practice must be safe.

~C. Everett Koop

By the year 2025, 500 million people will die of smoking. Now, that's a Vietnam War every day for 27 years. That's the Titanic sinking every 27 minutes for 27 years.

~C. Everett Koop

The right of smokers to smoke ends where their behavior affects the health and well-being of others.

~C. Everett Koop

At a time when we are pleading with foreign governments to stop the export of cocaine, it is the height of hypocrisy for the United States to export tobacco.

~C. Everett Koop

There are all kinds of things you can do to marry literacy with health.

~C. Everett Koop

Risks I think are the thing that make life important and everything that you and I do is risk vs. benefit. Is there a risk to sending your kid out? Absolutely. Is there a benefit? It exceeds the risk.

~C. Everett Koop

When a child shows up for school, and is not physically and mentally ready to learn, he or she never catches up.

~C. Everett Koop

There are many stressed single parents who may be working two jobs in order to keep the family together.

~C. Everett Koop

The baby's life is never willfully destroyed because the mother's life is in danger.

~C. Everett Koop

If you want to say how can we step into childhood and make it better for them, I would start at the activity level. I'd like to say let your kids go out and play.

~C. Everett Koop

The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching has been in existence for most of this century.

~C. Everett Koop

I'd like to say let your kids go out and play. Then I'd say you're not going to do that are you? Make your kids go out and play.

~C. Everett Koop

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