Tseganesh Selameab, MD, FACP
Governor, ACP Minnesota Chapter

Michelle Herbers
Executive Director, ACP Minnesota Chapter
1043 GRAND AVE. #215
ST. PAUL, MN 55105
612-619-5758
MINNESOTA.ACP@GMAIL.COM

March 15, 2026

Members of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee,

On behalf of the Minnesota Chapter of the American College of Physicians (MN-ACP), representing nearly 2,500 internal medicine physicians and subspecialists across our state, we write in strong support of SF 4416 to repeal the current definition of medically acceptable standards (MAS) in rules and adds a new, broader definition to statute and remove the need for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), and the American Academy of Family Practice (AAFP) to agree before the commissioner can pursue adding or removing a vaccine requirement using the rulemaking process. The commissioner will consider recommendations from all three organizations along with other criteria.

The American College of Physicians (ACP) supports policies that define medically acceptable standards for immunization practices.

SF 4417 would create the infrastructure necessary to coordinate these efforts statewide.

We respectfully urge your support for SF 4417.

Sincerely,

Tseganesh Selameab, MD, FACP
Governor, American College of Physicians Minnesota Chapter

Sally Berryman, MD, FACP
Chair, Health and Public Policy Committee, American College of Physicians Minnesota Chapter