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Statement on Firing of Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The Society of Hospital Medicine (SHM) is strongly opposed to the wholesale firing of the members of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). As a guidance body to the CDC, the ACIP provides invaluable, non-partisan recommendations to the government for the use and application of vaccines. Severing the cycle of committee member terms spanning multiple administrations risks politicizing the committee and radically undermining confidence in vaccines and public health efforts. We urge the Secretary to reinstate the ACIP committee members now and follow the traditional process and cycle for appointing new members to this panel.

Vaccines are lifesaving tools with a wide and deep evidence base for their effectiveness and safety. They have dramatically improved health and well-being worldwide. This unilateral action makes CDC decisions less informed and, therefore, Americans less healthy and less safe.



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