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Testimony: HB 2793
House Committee on Health and Human Services
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Chair Landwehr and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony opposing HB 2793. The Kansas Academy of Family Physicians (KAFP) represents nearly 2,000 family physicians, resident physicians and medical students across our state. Providing quality health care and good health outcomes for our patients guide our public policy work.

Evidence-based standards on patient care, including care of minors, have existed for decades. They require medical professionals to carefully evaluate each patient and make individualized decisions in the patient's best interest.

Realizing the complexity involved in medical decision-making, a one size fits all approach is detrimental to a physician's ability to make the proper medical decisions for each patient in conjunction with their families. Laws that specifically dictate or limit what physicians discuss during health care encounters undermines the patient and physician relationship. Also, legislative mandates regarding the practice of medicine do not allow for the infinite array of exceptions or cases in which the mandate may be unnecessary, inappropriate, or even harmful to an individual patient.

This legislation would negatively impact the sanctity of the patient and physician relationship. We welcome any questions you might have and are happy to serve as a resource to you on all primary care issues.

About Kansas Academy of Family Physicians

KAFP represents nearly 2,000 active, resident, student and life members across the state. Our member physicians are vibrant and trusted members of their communities and are dedicated to creating a healthier Kansas. Quality health care and health outcomes for our patients guide our public policy work. As family physicians, we see people of all ages, both men and women, and we work with almost every type of ailment and illness that afflict our patients.