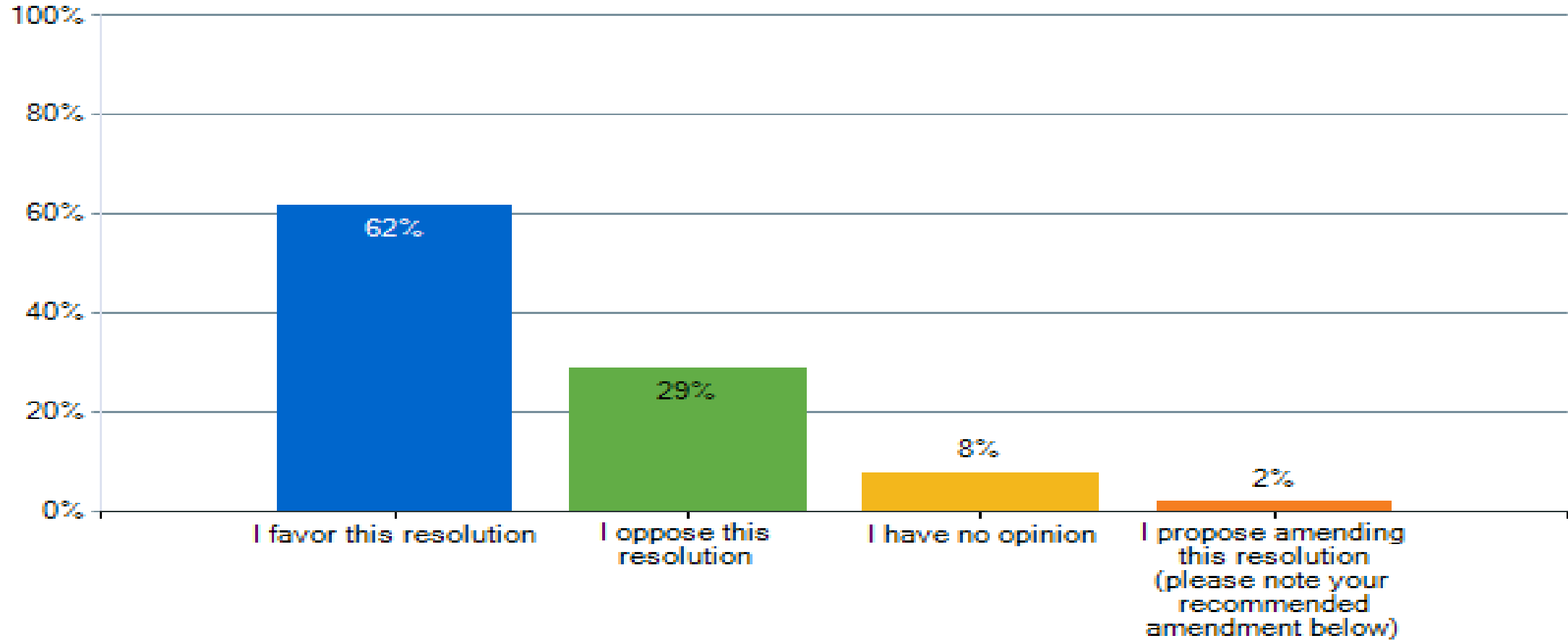
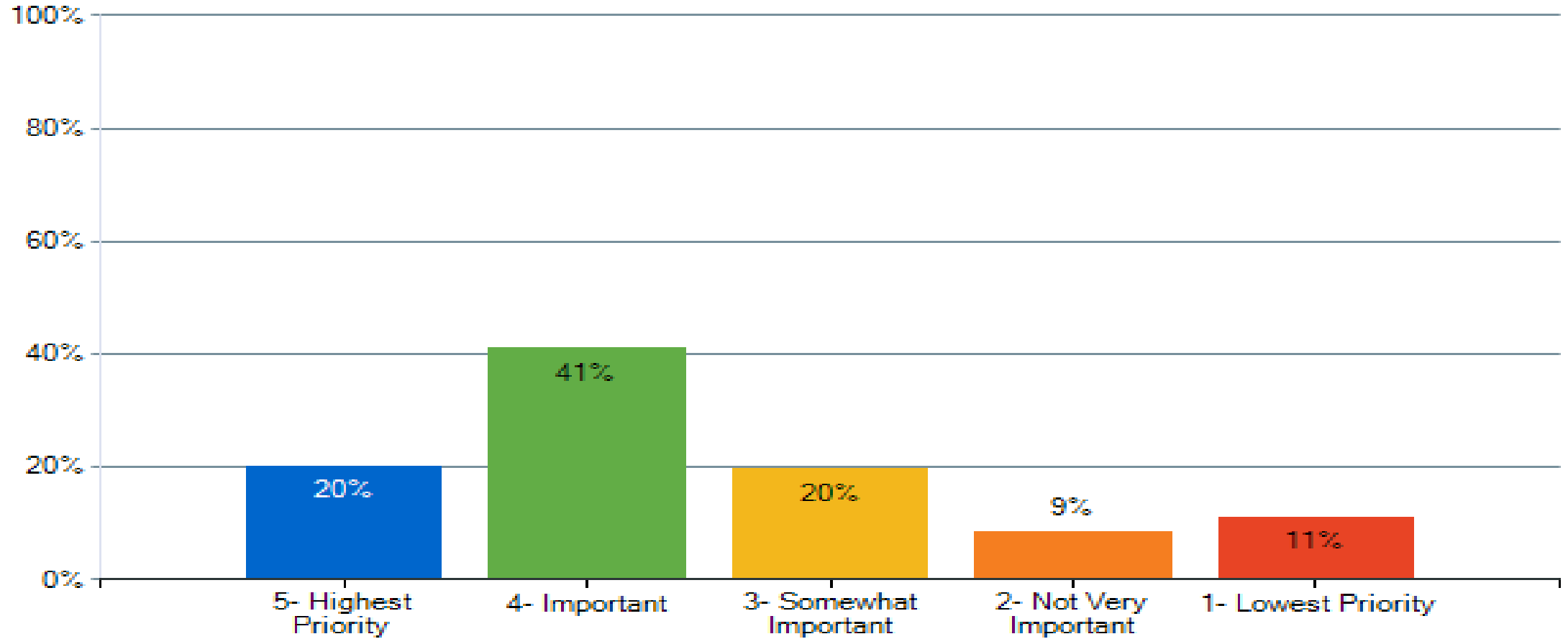


Eliminate ISMS Policy 200463



170 responses

Please indicate your view of this resolution as an ISMS priority.



164 responses

Comments

Response Text

Strongly agree: we can't make people do the right thing, but we shouldn't let ourselves become pawns of reactionary political forces. "Does not support" sure sounds like "recommends against" or "sees no value in." It's not a neutral position.

Making a recommendation regarding the safety and efficacy is fine. Mandates remove patient autonomy and are thereby unethical by definition.

I agree with the above recommendations. Thus vaccine should be mandated

Agree

Support rescinding policy 200463. HPV is an evidence-based vaccine. While the optimal way to vaccinate and the protect the most people might not be with mandates, we should not have policy opposing mandates for vaccines with clear and proven benefit. Cancer diagnoses hold lofty price tags on our healthcare system for ongoing monitoring and treatment, adding the HPV vaccine as a minimum immunization requirement in Illinois would be one step to reduce downstream cost-effects on the Illinois healthcare system.

The less we force vaccines, the better for everyone. Let parents make their informed choice.

This wouldn't be going backwards in public health

If people were rational I would support this recommendation. Given the opposition to vaccine mandates in our populace at this time I think it would be a mistake to mandate this vaccine at this time as a requirement for school attendance. I think mandated vaccines for school are best justified for infections that would be readily transmitted at the school site to others.

Too contentious in today's society.

We should be *pro* vaccines, not against. We're doctors.

About time,

Excellent decision

The HPV vaccination appears to be a protective vaccination for people if it is given before they have gotten exposed to the disease..However this, as well as anything medically ,mandatory needs to come from the position of ISMS licensed Physicians opinion derived from our Specialists who are advising, not a state "law" by "physicians " or other "healthcare practitioners" who do not practice medicine or have the specialty.

I do not support this resolution. HPV vaccination should not be required.

We should strongly support the HPV vaccine but not mandate it.

Politically tough. Probably wise for our policy to follow CDC recommendations.

Vaccine mandated are very controversial issues. Let's stay out of it. I am not aware of any State that has mandated HPV vaccination and we should not give the impression that we do so. Heavy handed top down approach or even semblance of it is not in our best interest. Let's leave it to American Academy of Pediatrics

Vaccinations should continue to be a personal choice by the patient / parent and healthcare provider. Significant damage has been done between the physician/patient relationship after the events of the last 3 years. We should not move to further alienate those who may have hesitations regarding vaccinations.

You got it right the first time. That's like mandating PREP for all students above age 12. This is a personal decision that should be made by the patient and their parents. BTW, I personally decided to give the vaccine to my children, and as a physician, I recommend it to all my patients.

Timely and necessary policy- we all know that the HPV vaccine is a protective factor against many cancers. Thank you for introducing this!

agree

Forcing Additional vaccination rules will likely result in more anti-VAX outcry. I feel more education and giving strong support to CDC recommendations is probably the best way with the current partisan divide.

Safe water and immunizations have saved more lives than everything else put together on the planet and not mandating the HPV vaccine is equal not mandating clean drinking water.

Agree should be in alignment with CDC guidelines

I perceive this as the wrong time to push parents of school age kids harder than they have been pushed about vaccines. I think it makes more sense to revisit HPV vaccination after there is less going on with COVID19. We also have a bigger issue with vaccines as a whole, which is that vaccines have increasingly been removed from physician supplies and made either organizational supplies (hospital run health systems or retail chain pharmacies). Increasingly, I have trouble getting vaccine record information because the vaccine was given in a pharmacy. That also has had a COVID19 "great resignation" and other side effect, which is that those same pharmacies giving all the vaccines are short staffed, resulting in hanging the phone up on doctor calls, and not having the priority from their employer to answer the phone because their contracted priority is to keep giving vaccines. We need to solve those things or possibly let them settle down before adding more vaccine mandates, no matter how well meant. There simply isn't the infrastructure or band width to do so currently. This problem is so bad that I increasingly need to drive to pharmacies to wait my turn in person to talk to the pharmacist about my patients' needs.

Perfect to repeal this

I oppose this resolution. Mandatory vaccines should be limited as much as possible. Certainly important for serious communicable diseases. Since there has already been an 80-90% decrease in infections through education and recommendations, DO NOT NEED to MANDATE. Continue current approach. We should be PRO_CHOICE on this.

Mandates should be a last resort and rare based upon well demonstrated risk to others and very low risk benefit ratio. Voluntary acceptance after fully informed consent should be the standard for all treatment, including vaccines. If we can encourage social distancing for COVID, we can educate patients of all ages how to avoid transmission of HPV and expect them to respond in their best interest.

We should advocate for coverage but not for school mandates, particularly not at this juncture.

Support

No. I am not in favor of mandate's especially in this case where transmission is only through sexual contact. This is NOT a contagion to the general public!

Do not fight people on vaccines. We have much bigger problems like reimbursement for private position is going down and reimbursement for nursing homes is going up. We need to be fighting actual battles. Medicare's on the verge of collapse and we're worried about vaccination status? We need lobbyist that are in there protecting our income.

This is an old policy that was put in with the early days of the HPV vaccine. There is a resolution that recommends HPV for both sexes in 2019 adopted resolution 02.2019-36 but when that was put in place, the 2008 resolution was not dropped. I am requesting that this get dropped now as the 2008 is not needed and only confuses ISMS stand.

I agree fully with this resolution, and the original ISMS position is medically ridiculous. If a physician is in favor of not administering vaccines, they should not be practicing medicine in 2022.

Yes, as a physician organization we should be supporting vaccine requirements for school as these are the best way to encourage adherence to evidenced based public health measures.

I vote against eliminating policy 200463 The reasons are multiple: 1. There should always be choice and not mandates over parents wishes. 2. This vaccine can wait until age 18 y/o when the person's individual choice can be made. 3. I agree with recommending this vaccine to all who want it at any age. Including off label use for those with previous HPV infections to prevent/ treat disease. Again not mandate but recommend.

Supporting a vaccine is different than mandating it.

HPV is a sexually transmitted disease. Sexual contact is not a required part of public school education. Attending public school education does not pose a significant risk of HPV disease transmission. Therefore coercion to accept HPV vaccine through denial of education is inappropriate. Offering and encouraging HPV vaccination is appropriate. Denial of public school education for this vaccination is not appropriate. The decision for HPV vaccination should be deferred to patients, their parents and physicians.

Hmmmmmm.....it seems to me that 2019 resolution supercedes 2008 and we therefore already support. That would seem to make this resolution unnecessary. If not, I agree with the resolution.

This is a political and public health issue, and not a new one. ISMS can be more effective by staying out of this issue.

On another subject, forcing us to do CME on Implicit bias is inherently implicitly bias. You are assuming that all white people are implicitly bias and racist. just because we are white. This sort of political "woke" movement should not be tolerated in any part of Medicine. It only serves to divide us. I have never seen ANYONE treated any differently because of race/sex/religion etc. and I seriously doubt that many of us have. If so that person should be identified and removed from the staff. Please remove this sort of requirement in all future CME requirements. Quit attempting to divide us and just let us practice Medicine - please stay out of Poliitcs!!!

We need to stand firm on mandatory vaccines and combat the ignorant anti-vaccine people

This is an evidence-based, valid public health intervention.

First, the absolute numbers of cancer cases related to HPV is low compared to other forms of treatable cancer, and there is a high number of cases of HPV that resolve spontaneously. Second, the ISMS has for many years opposed the use of mandates by government on the practice of medicine and the interference in the doctor-patient relationship. Vaccination for HPV should be supported by ISMS and physicians should be encouraged to have a conversation with appropriate patients about the benefits of HPV vaccination. However, I do not personally feel that this vaccine should be mandated for students to enter school and get an education. This is not the ideal way to gain public trust in vaccines. I strongly oppose such a resolution and mandate. This issue was recently addressed by the AMA at its Interim meeting in November, and policy was modified. See AMA Policy H440.872. I could support similar language to the recently adopted AMA policy encouraging physicians to become informed about the vaccine and its safety.

I object to forcing children to receive this "vaccine" and I think that it should be up to the parents to decide whether or not their child should receive such a vaccine.

As physicians we should be the strongest advocates for evidence based medicine- that includes vaccines..

Mandating vaccines has not had the best results lately. This is a free society. We would do best to educate and encourage. Mandates may provoke opposition that may not have arisen otherwise. Where does mandating stop? Should we mandate exercise, weight loss, healthy diet. Just because it's a good policy does not support mandating it.