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regarding proposal IRRC #3147

To Whom It May Concern:

As parents of five children, we have many concerns regarding proposal IRRC #3147, which makes changes to title 28, chapter 23 of the Pennsylvania Code.

Primarily is the long-held view that parents should have the ability to make the personal decision for their children regarding vaccination. It is unsafe to have a one-size-fits-all policy.

Specifically regarding reduced flexibility for provisional admittance to school, the five day change is far too short a provisional period. There may be danger in requiring too many vaccine doses in that short time period. Parents should have more time (at least 60 days) to develop a plan for their children.

Also, regarding changes to documenting a prior history of chickenpox, may parents, for good reason, decide not to take their child to the doctor. These children should not be required to receive the vaccine as they have natural immunity. A written statement from the parents should be treated as sufficient evidence demonstrating a history of chickenpox.

Sincerely, John & Abby Banks Lake Ariel, PA