

## From the Desk of Rep. Hai Pham

We support SB 1598 to preserve patient choice and ensure that immunizations remain accessible and affordable for Oregonians who want them.

This bill is about choice. Parents and patients, in consultation with their health care professionals, decide if and when to receive a vaccine. Those decisions should not be disrupted by shifting federal guidance that causes confusion, limits availability, or raises out-of-pocket costs on Oregonians.

SB 1598 ensures that when older adults and families choose to seek immunizations that access remains available in their community and coverage continues. It does not create any new mandates for vaccines and does not change or limit clinical judgment or the right to exercise personal choice.

We respectfully urge your support of SB 1598 to protect access, continuity, and patient choice in Oregon.

