KEEP THE TEAM

DO NOT ALLOW NON-PHYSICIANS TO PRACTICE MEDICINE.

BACKGROUND:

- There are 4 different House bills that give independent practice to nurse practitioners.
- House members are being bombarded by APRNs.
- House members need to hear from family physicians today.

TALKING POINTS:

- Primary care physicians and nurse practitioners do NOT share the same levels of expertise, training or knowledge.
- Health professionals' training has a direct impact on the depth and quality of patient care.
- The difference in overall training is almost 18,000 hours more for Family Physicians than for Nurse Practitioners.
- This is a public health/public safety concern.

MESSAGE: Vote NO to stop all INDEPENDENT PRACTICE bills.

- Support a physician-led team approach.
- Continue to support the Mississippi Rural Physicians Scholarship Program that puts doctors in rural areas to treat and serve.
- All health care providers are part of the SOLUTION, but are NOT a substitute for physicians.

Before Tuesday's deadline, please call your Representative directly or call the Capitol Switchboard (601-359-3770) to leave a message for your representative.

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