

NHMA Statement on Possible Dismissal of U.S. Preventive Services Task Force Members

WASHINGTON, Aug 4, 2025 — The National Hispanic Medical Association (NHMA) expresses deep concern over reports that Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. may dismiss members of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF).

The task force has provided trusted, evidence-based recommendations for more than 40 years, shaping preventive care for conditions such as cancer, diabetes, hypertension, obesity and mental health. These guidelines are essential for clinicians, health systems and insurers and are especially critical for Latino communities, which face significant health disparities.

Undermining the independence of this nonpartisan panel risks eroding trust in preventive care recommendations and disrupting care for millions of patients nationwide. NHMA urges Secretary Kennedy to preserve the integrity and expertise of the task force and maintain its longstanding mission to improve the health of all Americans.

NHMA joins the American Medical Association (AMA) and more than 100 health organizations in calling on Congress to protect the task force from political interference.