# Pharmacies: The Face of Neighborhood Health and Wellness in Minnesota



People trust pharmacies for answers in times of need. We want to help provide quality, collaborative policy solutions, just like we provide health and wellness solutions to millions of patients and consumers every day.

## PHARMACIES ARE: **ACCESSIBLE**



of voters in Minnesota say pharmacies are easy to access



of voters in Minnesota have visited a pharmacy in the past 12 months

## PHARMACIES ARE: **TRUSTED**



of voters in Minnesota said that pharmacists are very or somewhat credible when it comes to information on how to save money on prescription drugs, and 73% said a pharmacist's recommendation is very or somewhat important when deciding to buy an over-the-counter medication or other health and wellness product for the first time.

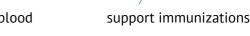
## PHARMACIES ARE: **INNOVATIVF**

Pharmacists' extensive education empowers them to do even more to improve patient health and quality of life. That's why voters support Medicare enrollees being able to receive newer services from their pharmacists.



support health tests, such as blood pressure

85%





support tests for flu or strep throat

support helping with managing illnesses like diabetes

88%

Also, 83% said they are likely to support a Congressional candidate who works on securing such help in managing illnesses like diabetes - and 49% said "very likely to support."

## PHARMACIES ARE: **ESSENTIAL**

Voters agree—pharmacy benefits should be covered by:

82%

Medicaid

85%

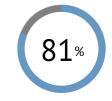
TRICARE for military families and veterans 86%

Medicare

## PHARMACIES ARE: **FAVORED**



have a favorable view of pharmacies



have a favorable opinion of their pharmacist

ISSUE FOCUS: OPIOIDS

Policies backed by NACDS are supported by voters. Among these policies, 75% support limiting the initial fill of certain opioid prescriptions to seven days, and 75% support rules that all prescriptions must be handled electronically, rather than paper or fax prescriptions.