Telehealth

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy9264

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2020-02-29
Date: 2008-08-20
Topics: Health systems, system funding and performance
Physician practice/ compensation/ forms
Health information and e-health
Resolution: GC08-95

The Canadian Medical Association, in consultation with provincial/territorial medical associations, the College of Family Physicians of Canada and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, will work with professional regulatory/licensing bodies to establish a harmonized policy environment that would support physicians who are providing telehealth care in multiple jurisdictions.

Health human resource planning

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10887

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2020-02-29
Date: 2013-08-21
Topics: Health human resources
Resolution: GC13-28

The Canadian Medical Association will develop a policy statement on the impact emerging technologies and models of care are having on health human resource planning.
Interoperability and connectivity of e-health systems

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10910

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2020-02-29
Date: 2013-08-21
Topics: Health systems, system funding and performance, Health information and e-health
Resolution: GC13-88

The Canadian Medical Association strongly advocates for continued governmental investment to support interoperability and connectivity of e-health systems.

Patient-controlled electronic health record

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10912

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2020-02-29
Date: 2013-08-21
Topics: Health information and e-health
Resolution: GC13-89

The Canadian Medical Association supports the exploration of a complementary patient-controlled electronic health record.
Integration of clinical practice guidelines with electronic medical records

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10458

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2019-03-03
Date: 2012-08-15
Topics: Health care and patient safety
Health information and e-health
Resolution: GC12-22

The Canadian Medical Association supports the integration of clinical practice guidelines with electronic medical records.

Innovative health system pilot projects in Canada

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy13721

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2017-08-23
Topics: Health systems, system funding and performance
Health information and e-health
Resolution: GC17-23

The Canadian Medical Association will support new projects and mechanisms to facilitate the expansion and increase the scale of innovative health system pilot projects in Canada.
Practice management strategy

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy569

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2017-03-04
Date: 1995-10-14
Topics: Population health/ health equity/ public health
Resolution: BD96-03-53

That the Canadian Medical Association develop a complete practice management strategy that will address the physician’s needs in areas of: 1. Professional Development (including PMI, Leadership Conference); 2. Office Automation (training physicians to deal with the rapidly changing technologies, including hardware requirements/options, new software developments, the paperless office, online applications, etc.); 3. Health Reform (assisting physicians in dealing with practice issues that arise out of the changes being implemented by provincial/territorial governments); 4. Personal Financial Services; 5. Practice Counselling for New Physicians (establishing a new practice, including type of practice (solo, group), the pros and cons of legal and tax implications, office design, etc.); 6. Audit process for Established Physicians (to allow established physicians to effectively evaluate their current practice and identify opportunities for greater efficiencies).

Automated medical information systems

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy701

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2017-03-04
Date: 1976-06-25
Topics: Health information and e-health
Resolution: GC76-39

The Canadian Medical Association encourages the development of field projects for automated medical information systems for practising physicians.
National health care database

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy714

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2017-03-04
Date: 1985-08-25
Topics: Health information and e-health
Resolution: GC85-45

The Canadian Medical Association recommends the development of a sound national health care database, accessible to health care professionals' associations and legitimate researchers.

Compensation for remote consultation

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy1505

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2017-03-04
Date: 2004-08-18
Topics: Health human resources
Health information and e-health
Physician practice/ compensation/ forms
Resolution: GC04-41

The Canadian Medical Association recommends that provincial and territorial authorities recognize that any type of remote consultation such as telemedicine and teleconsultation is a medical act to be duly compensated.
Online continuing medical education

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy9892

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2017-03-04
Date: 2010-08-25
Topics: Population health/ health equity/ public health
       Ethics and medical professionalism
       Health information and e-health
Resolution: GC10-69

The Canadian Medical Association, in collaboration with provincial/territorial medical associations, calls on governments to ensure that the necessary technology is in place to guarantee that physicians in rural and remote locations have access to accredited online continuing medical education/continuing professional development.

E-health strategies

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy9908

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2017-03-04
Date: 2010-08-25
Topics: Health information and e-health
       Health systems, system funding and performance
Resolution: GC10-90

The Canadian Medical Association will work with provincial/territorial medical associations to ensure investments made by the Canada Health Infoway are aligned with, and respect e-health strategies that are currently being implemented or developed within various jurisdictions.
Telemedicine

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy9911

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2017-03-04
Date: 2010-08-25
Topics: Health information and e-health
 Population health/ health equity/ public health
 Physician practice/ compensation/ forms
Resolution: GC10-93

The Canadian Medical Association supports and will expedite research into the expansion of telemedicine and the utilization of emerging technologies, to directly link health care providers and patients.

Medical records

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy9923

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2017-03-04
Date: 2010-08-25
Topics: Ethics and medical professionalism
 Health care and patient safety
 Health information and e-health
Resolution: GC10-106

The Canadian Medical Association will work with provincial/territorial medical associations and other stakeholders including patients to develop a national strategy for the long-term retention, retrieval and disposal of medical records.
Patients access to their electronic medical record

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy11924

Policy Type: Policy resolution  
Date: 2016-08-24  
Topics: Health information and e-health  
Resolution: GC16-49

The Canadian Medical Association recommends that patients be able to access their electronic medical record and contribute information to it.

Funding criteria for any new electronic medical record initiative

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy11925

Policy Type: Policy resolution  
Date: 2016-08-24  
Topics: Health systems, system funding and performance, Health information and e-health  
Resolution: GC16-50

The Canadian Medical Association recommends that funding criteria for any new electronic medical record initiative include the ability for patients to access and contribute to their record.
Patient bill of health information rights

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy9498

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2016-05-20
Date: 2009-08-19
Topics: Health care and patient safety
Health information and e-health
Ethics and medical professionalism
Resolution: GC09-17

The Canadian Medical Association and provincial/territorial medical associations call on governments to engage patients and the public in the development of a patient bill of health information rights that sets out a vision for the governance of patient health information.

Evaluation of the impact of health information technology

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy9505

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2016-05-20
Date: 2009-08-19
Topics: Health systems, system funding and performance
Health information and e-health
Resolution: GC09-24

The Canadian Medical Association and provincial/territorial medical associations call on governments to ensure completion of an evaluation of the impact of health information technology that considers the level of functionality and assesses its effect on patient and provider experience of care, population health and per capita costs.
E-prescribing

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy9538

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2016-05-20
Date: 2009-08-19
Topics: Health systems, system funding and performance
Pharmaceuticals/ prescribing/ cannabis/ marijuana/ drugs
Resolution: GC09-42

The Canadian Medical Association and provincial/territorial medical associations will work with governments to accelerate the introduction of e-prescribing in Canada to make it the main method of prescribing by 2012.

Assessment of payment arrangements

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy9540

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2016-05-20
Date: 2009-08-19
Topics: Health systems, system funding and performance
Health information and e-health
Resolution: GC09-44

The Canadian Medical Association will work with provincial/territorial medical associations to carry out an inventory and assessment of the payment arrangements across Canada that foster the emergence of new practice models based on an interdisciplinary approach and the use of new information technologies.