Access to end-of-life and palliative care services


Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2013-Mar-02
Date: 1999-Aug-25
Topics: Population health/ health equity/ public health
Resolution: That the Canadian Medical Association urge the federal, provincial and territorial ministers of health to ensure equitable access for all residents of Canada to comprehensive, quality end-of-life and palliative care services regardless of age, care setting, diagnosis, ethnicity, language and financial status.

Quality End-of-Life Care report

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy388

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Last Reviewed: 2014-Mar-01
Date: 2000-Aug-16
Topics: Ethics and medical professionalism
Resolution: That the Canadian Medical Association advise the Federal Minister of Health that it supports the recommendations of the Senate Standing Committee of the Senate “Quality End-of-Life Care” of June 2000, as appended to the Reports to General Council, and urge the government to work with provincial and territorial governments towards rapid implementation of the recommendations.
## Access to pediatric palliative care

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy8504

**Policy Type:** Policy resolution  
**Last Reviewed:** 2013-Mar-02  
**Date:** 2006-Aug-23  
**Topics:** Population health/health equity/public health  
Health systems, system funding and performance  
**Resolution:** The Canadian Medical Association calls upon the federal government, in cooperation with provincial and territorial governments, to improve access to pediatric palliative care through enhanced funding, training and awareness campaigns.

## End-of-life care

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10504

**Policy Type:** Policy resolution  
**Date:** 2012-Aug-15  
**Topics:** Ethics and medical professionalism  
**Resolution:** The Canadian Medical Association will foster a public debate on end-of-life care issues in Canada.

## Comprehensive framework of end-of-life care policies

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10508

**Policy Type:** Policy resolution  
**Date:** 2012-Aug-15  
**Topics:** Ethics and medical professionalism  
**Resolution:** The Canadian Medical Association will develop a comprehensive framework of end-of-life care policies.
Palliative care services
https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10874
Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2013-Aug-21
Topics: Health systems, system funding and performance
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association advocates for the integration of accessible quality palliative care services into community and chronic care service delivery models.

Palliative Care
https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10876
Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2013-Aug-21
Topics: Ethics and medical professionalism
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association supports the integration of the palliative care approach into the management of life-limiting chronic disease.

Collaborative palliative care model
https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10883
Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2013-Aug-21
Topics: Health systems, system funding and performance
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association supports the implementation of a collaborative palliative care model.
Palliative care
https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10893
Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2013-Aug-21
Topics: Ethics and medical professionalism
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association recommends that all relevant legislation be amended to recognize that any person whose medical condition warrants it is entitled to receive palliative care.

Training in palliative care
https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10894
Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2013-Aug-21
Topics: Health human resources
Resolution: Physician practice/ compensation/ forms
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association requests that all Canadian faculties of medicine create a curriculum for training in palliative care suitable for physicians at all stages of their medical education and in appropriate settings to the locale in which they practice.

Palliative care
https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy10898
Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2013-Aug-21
Topics: Ethics and medical professionalism
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association believes that every person nearing the end of life who wishes to receive palliative care services at home should have access to them.
Palliative care services and expertise
https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy11216
Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2014-Aug-20
Topics: Ethics and medical professionalism
Physician practice/ compensation/ forms
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association believes that all health care providers should have access to referral for palliative care services and expertise.

Delivery of quality palliative end-of-life care throughout Canada
https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy11219
Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2014-Aug-20
Topics: Health human resources
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association will engage in physician human resource planning to develop an appropriate strategy to ensure the delivery of quality palliative end-of-life care throughout Canada.

Emergency funding for end-of-life care for uninsured people residing in Canada
https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy11221
Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2014-Aug-20
Topics: Population health/ health equity/ public health
Health systems, system funding and performance
Ethics and medical professionalism
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association supports in principle emergency funding for end-of-life care for uninsured people residing in Canada.
Physician engagement in palliative care

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy11748

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2015-May-30
Topics: Ethics and medical professionalism, Population health/ health equity/ public health
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association adopts, in principle, the recommendations for physician engagement in palliative care as set out in the report, Palliative Care: CMA National Call to Action as outlined in Appendix A to EX 15-21, as amended.

Seamless transition through the continuum of care in a national seniors' strategy

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy11608

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2015-Aug-26
Topics: Health systems, system funding and performance, Population health/ health equity/ public health
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association supports the development of innovative and alternative models/partnerships that can provide services and resources for patients' seamless transition through the continuum of care in a national seniors' strategy.

Increased education and training in end-of-life care for community health care workers

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy11610

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2015-Aug-26
Topics: Population health/ health equity/ public health, Ethics and medical professionalism
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association encourages increased education and training in end-of-life care for community health care workers.
Assisted death as defined by the Supreme Court of Canada is distinct from the practice of palliative care

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy11611

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2015-Aug-26
Topics: Ethics and medical professionalism
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association recognizes that the practice of assisted death as defined by the Supreme Court of Canada is distinct from the practice of palliative care.

Accredited standards for the management of life-limiting chronic disease

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy11636

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2015-Aug-26
Topics: Population health/ health equity/ public health
Ethics and medical professionalism
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association supports the development and application of accredited standards for the integration of a palliative care approach into the management of life-limiting chronic disease.

Discussion of and access to a high-quality palliative approach to care

https://policybase.cma.ca/en/permalink/policy11639

Policy Type: Policy resolution
Date: 2015-Aug-26
Topics: Ethics and medical professionalism
Resolution: The Canadian Medical Association will advocate that discussion of and access to a high-quality palliative approach to care be available to all Canadians, including those with life-limiting illnesses who are considering assisted death.