



National consensus on future financing of the Canadian health care system

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Resolution: That the Canadian Medical Association take a strong leadership role in the development of a national consensus on future financing of the Canadian health care system.



Principles for consensus on health system financing

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