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ACHIEVING PATIENT-CENTRED COLLABORATIVE CARE

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) recognizes that collaboration and co-creation between patients and healthcare professionals is essential to achieving patient-centred care. This includes the development of strategies for improving health outcomes and the delivery of services that are patient-centred, accessible, and affordable. To achieve this, healthcare professionals must work together with patients and their families to design and implement care plans that meet the unique needs of each individual.

Collaboration involves the active participation of all members of the healthcare team, including patients and their families, to ensure that care is coordinated, integrated, and personalized. It requires open communication, shared decision-making, and a commitment to the patient’s best interests.

Principles for Health System Governance

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**Principles for Health System Governance**

Health systems, particularly those funded through tax dollars, are complex organizations that provide patient care and manage resources in a way that is responsive to the needs of the population. They are often characterized by multiple stakeholders, including patients, providers, and the general public, who have varying interests and expectations.

Principles are intended to guide the development and management of health systems. They provide a framework for decision-making and help ensure that the system is aligned with the goals of equitable access to high-quality care. Principles can also serve as a basis for evaluating the performance of the system.

The principles outlined in this policy are intended to promote:

1. **Patient-centered care**: Ensuring that patient needs and preferences are central to the planning, implementation, and evaluation of health services.
2. **Equity**: Guaranteeing that access to health services is fair and not influenced by social, economic, or geographic factors.
3. **Quality**: Maintaining high standards of care and improving the effectiveness of health services through continuous quality improvement.
4. **Efficiency and effectiveness**: Balancing the need for resources with the demand for services to ensure that resources are used in the most effective and efficient manner.
5. **Stewardship**: Ensuring that health systems are managed in a way that is transparent, accountable, and responsive to the needs of the population.

These principles are not mutually exclusive and should be applied in a way that reflects the specific context and needs of each health system. The implementation of these principles requires ongoing dialogue and collaboration among all stakeholders involved in the health system.
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