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President of the Canadian Medical Association
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Dr. Alisa Lafontaine
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Dr. Katharine Smart
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Vaccine certificates

Policy position recommendation

1. The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) recommends that vaccine certificates, as a measure to support decision-making in public health and health care settings, be used in a manner that respects patient privacy and confidentiality. These certificates should be accessible and available in multiple languages, and their issuance should be accompanied by appropriate consent forms.
2. CMA supports the development of a national framework for vaccine certificates, including the establishment of clear criteria for issuance and use, as well as guidelines for the protection of personal information.
3. The implementation of a vaccine certificate program should be aligned with existing public health measures, such as ongoing vaccination campaigns, and should be monitored to assess its impact on public health outcomes.

The objective of this policy is to promote the health and well-being of all Canadians by encouraging the adoption of measures that prevent the spread of communicable diseases.
Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination of health care workers

Policy document

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Recommendations:
1. All health care workers should be advised on COVID-19 vaccination before their start date.
2. Health care organizations should engage their employees in discussions about vaccination.
3. Health care organizations should provide information on the benefits and risks of vaccination.
4. Health care organizations should support employees who choose not to be vaccinated.
5. Health care organizations should review their policies and procedures to ensure they are consistent with public health recommendations.

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Vaccine acceptance
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Global vaccine equity
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Global vaccine equity

Policy positions and recommendations:
1. Canada’s contribution to the equitable allocation of vaccines is a key component of its role as a global leader on health and health equity. This includes ensuring that the global immunization system is strong, and that vaccine manufacturers are able to respond to the increased demand for vaccines.
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Background:
1. During the pandemic, we have seen the importance of global leadership in addressing public health emergencies. The World Health Organization (WHO) has played a critical role in coordinating the global response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of equitable access to vaccines. The WHO's COVAX initiative aims to ensure that low- and middle-income countries have access to vaccines.
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Clarity for return to school during COVID-19:
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Return to school during COVID-19

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Return to school during COVID-19

Policy recommendation

1. The CMA recommends that school boards and education authorities:
   a. Establish clear and consistent communication on the implementation of public health
      recommendations and guidelines to prevent and mitigate the spread of SARS-CoV-2
      (COVID-19) in schools, including information on the use of masks, physical distancing,
      and other preventive measures.
   b. Ensure that schools have adequate access to personal protective equipment (PPE),
      including masks, hand sanitizer, and other supplies.
   c. Implement measures to ensure that schools are adequately ventilated.
   d. Provide ongoing training and support for teachers and other school staff on
      implementing public health measures.
   e. Consider the use of rapid testing, where available, to identify asymptomatic
      cases and prevent outbreaks.
   f. Establish protocols for responding to suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19
      within schools.

2. The CMA recommends that public health authorities and school boards:
   a. Collaborate to develop and implement comprehensive plans for the safe return
      of students to school, taking into account the latest public health guidance.
   b. Provide clear and consistent communication to parents, students, and teachers
      on the implementation of public health measures.
   c. Ensure that schools have access to necessary resources, including PPE, to
      support the implementation of public health measures.
   d. Consider the use of technology to support contact tracing and other public health
      measures.
   e. Establish mechanisms for ongoing monitoring and evaluation of the implementation
      of public health measures.

3. The CMA recommends that Ministry of Health:
   a. Ensure that there is adequate funding for the implementation of public health
      measures in schools.
   b. Collaborate with education authorities to support the implementation of public health
      measures.
   c. Provide guidance and support to schools in implementing public health measures.
   d. Consider the use of technology to support contact tracing and other public health
      measures.
   e. Establish mechanisms for ongoing monitoring and evaluation of the implementation
      of public health measures.

The CMA recommends that all school boards and education authorities:

1. Develop and implement comprehensive plans for the safe return of students to school
   taking into account the latest public health guidance.
2. Establish clear and consistent communication to parents, students, and teachers on
   the implementation of public health measures.
3. Ensure that schools have access to necessary resources, including PPE, to support
   the implementation of public health measures.
4. Consider the use of technology to support contact tracing and other public health
   measures.
5. Establish mechanisms for ongoing monitoring and evaluation of the implementation
   of public health measures.
Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)
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Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)

Policy position/Recommendation:

1. The Canadian Medical Association recommends that provinces and territories work together to ensure that vaccine interchangeability, including interchangeability of mRNA vaccines, is based on the best available evidence regarding vaccine efficacy.

2. The Canadian Medical Association recommends that the interchangeability of vaccines is reviewed and updated regularly as new evidence becomes available.

3. The Canadian Medical Association recommends that patients and healthcare providers are informed about the interchangeability of vaccines and the potential implications for vaccine effectiveness.

4. The Canadian Medical Association recommends that vaccination programs be flexible and adaptable to accommodate changing evidence and circumstances.

5. The Canadian Medical Association recommends that stakeholders, including healthcare providers, public health officials, and vaccine manufacturers, work together to ensure that vaccines are used in a safe and effective manner.

6. The Canadian Medical Association recommends that ongoing monitoring and evaluation of vaccine interchangeability be conducted to ensure that public health outcomes are maintained.

7. The Canadian Medical Association recommends that healthcare providers be trained on the use of interchangeable vaccines and the potential implications for vaccine effectiveness.

8. The Canadian Medical Association recommends that public health officials provide clear guidance on the use of interchangeable vaccines. This guidance should be regularly updated to reflect new evidence.

Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing) is a complex issue that requires careful consideration. Healthcare providers and public health officials must be aware of the potential implications of vaccine interchangeability to ensure that patients receive the best possible care.

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