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IMPROVING EFFICIENCY IN THE CANADIAN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Achieving system health care system is inextricably linked to a number of factors, some of which are beyond the control of the health care system itself. In order to improve system health care system, it is necessary to consider the broader context within which the health care system operates. This includes the social, economic, and political factors that shape the system. The CMA is committed to improving system efficiency and performance, and we believe that this can be achieved through a combination of evidence-based policy recommendations and practical, achievable solutions. We call on all levels of government to take action to improve system efficiency and performance, and we invite all stakeholders to join us in this important work.

1. Introduction

Health care systems in Canada and elsewhere are experiencing pressure to deliver care that is safe, effective, and efficient while maintaining high standards of quality, accessibility, and sustainability. The concept of efficiency in health care systems has been refined over time, and different approaches have been used to measure and improve system performance. In this document, we define efficiency as the ratio of health outcomes to resources used, and we use this definition to guide our recommendations for improving system efficiency and performance.

The second is that efficiency and effectiveness can be achieved through a range of interventions. These interventions include: incentivizing physicians to provide more efficient care; improving the coordination and integration of care; and investing in the infrastructure and technology needed to support efficient care delivery. In addition, we believe that improving system efficiency and performance requires a long-term commitment to investment in research and development, as well as ongoing monitoring and evaluation of system performance.

2. Key recommendations

a) Develop a national strategy for improving system efficiency and performance

b) Invest in research and development

c) Establish a system of accountability and performance measurement

3. Conclusion

Improving system efficiency and performance is a complex and ongoing process. It requires a commitment from all levels of government, as well as from the health care system itself. We believe that by working together, we can achieve a healthier and more sustainable system for all Canadians.

The CMA is committed to supporting the development of evidence-based policy recommendations that can help improve system efficiency and performance. We encourage all stakeholders to join us in this important work, and we look forward to working with you to achieve a better system for all Canadians.

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