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CMA Submission to the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills and Skills and Technology

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Disclosure of COVID-19 Vaccination Status by Physicians

In the context of this document, the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) has developed a policy for the disclosure of COVID-19 vaccination status by physicians. This policy is intended to provide guidance for physicians on how to inform patients about their vaccination status in a manner that is consistent with ethical and legal principles.

The policy is based on the following principles:

1. **Confidentiality and Privacy:** Physicians should respect the confidentiality and privacy of their patients' vaccination status and protect it from unauthorized disclosure.
2. **Consent:** Patients should be informed about their vaccination status in a manner that respects their autonomy and decision-making capacity.
3. **Transparency:** Physicians should be transparent about the reasons for disclosing their vaccination status, including the potential benefits and risks.
4. **Accountability:** Physicians should be accountable for the information they share about their vaccination status.

The policy also recommends that physicians consider the following when disclosing their vaccination status:

- The decision to disclose should be based on a risk-benefit analysis that takes into account the potential benefits of disclosure (e.g., improved patient trust and confidence) and the potential risks (e.g., stigmatization).
- The disclosure should be in a clear and concise manner that is easy for patients to understand.
- The disclosure should be made in a way that respects the patient's right to confidentiality and privacy.

The policy also provides guidance on how physicians can communicate effectively about their vaccination status with patients, including the use of plain language and the provision of clear instructions on how to obtain further information.

This policy is intended to support physicians in their efforts to provide high-quality, patient-centered care in a safe and equitable manner.

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COVID-19 Vaccine Global Intellectual Property Policy

Introduction

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) is a national, non-profit, voluntary organization representing physicians across Canada. The CMA is committed to providing leadership in promoting the highest standard of medical care for all Canadians. To achieve these goals, the CMA has developed policies on a wide range of topics, including healthcare delivery, medical education, and ethical issues.

The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the need for rapid development and deployment of vaccines to control the spread of the virus. As a result, there has been a significant increase in the number of vaccines approved for use around the world. However, the global intellectual property landscape surrounding vaccines has raised concerns about access and affordability.

Policy Position

The CMA supports the development of vaccines and the use of intellectual property protections to encourage innovation. However, it is important to ensure that these protections do not hinder access to vaccines, particularly in low-resource settings.

Recommendation

1. The CMA recommends that governments of the Americas participate in the global dialogue, led by the World Health Organization, to ensure that vaccines are made available to all who need them.

2. The CMA recommends that countries support temporary, unconditional waiver of intellectual property protection to allow for increased production of vaccines.

3. The CMA recommends that governments, in collaboration with the World Intellectual Property Organization, develop a transparent and equitable framework for licensing agreements.

4. The CMA recommends that developing countries be given priority in the distribution of vaccines to ensure that they have access to safe and effective vaccines.

5. The CMA recommends that governments work with the World Trade Organization to ensure that intellectual property protections do not undermine global health goals.

6. The CMA recommends that the pharmaceutical industry be encouraged to adopt a range of measures to ensure that vaccines are affordable and accessible to all.

Conclusion

The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of global collaboration in developing and distributing vaccines. The CMA supports policies that balance the need for innovation with the goal of ensuring that all people have access to safe and effective vaccines.

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Vaccine acceptance
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Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)

1. The goal is to ensure the maximum use of vaccine supply by optimizing the use of vaccines and ensuring the health and safety of patients.
2. The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) recommends that, when possible, the same vaccine (or closely related vaccine) be used for both doses of the same vaccine.

3. The interchangeability of vaccines is based on the assumption that the vaccines are effective and safe when used interchangeably.

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Submission in Response to the Consultation on the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy

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Submission in Response to the Consultation on the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy: Keeping Medical Clinic Employees on the Payroll
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Federal measures to recognize the significant contributions of Canada’s front-line health care workers during the COVID-19 pandemic
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Responding to the COVID-19 pandemic: Federal measures to recognize the significant contributions of Canada’s front-line health care workers

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CMA brief

Responding to the COVID-19 pandemic:
Federal measures to recognize the significant contributions of Canada’s front-line health care workers
Framework for Ethical Decision Making During the Coronavirus Pandemic

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Protecting and supporting Canada’s health-care providers during COVID-19

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CMA recommendations for EMERGENCY FEDERAL MEASURES TO CARE FOR AND PROTECT CANADIANS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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Rural and remote practice issues

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