Vaccine certificates
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Global vaccine equity

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Global vaccine equity

Full policy recommendation:

1. Leverage current immunization access to vaccines globally. The CMA recommends that governments and international organizations support the equitable distribution of COVID-19 vaccines to ensure that all countries have access to vaccines necessary for their populations.
2. Support international efforts to ensure that vaccine distribution is fair and equitable, respecting ethical principles.
3. Advocate for the promotion of global health equity and access to vaccines for all populations, including vulnerable and disadvantaged communities.
4. Support research and development of new vaccines to address future pandemics.
5. Encourage the sharing of vaccine manufacturing technology to increase global access.

Summary:

1. First, it is important to note that the global response to the COVID-19 pandemic has been uneven. While some countries have experienced high vaccination rates, others have struggled.
2. Second, the distribution of vaccines has been uneven, with wealthy countries securing a disproportionate share of the global supply.
3. Third, to address this inequity, the CMA supports increased international cooperation and the sharing of vaccine manufacturing technology.
4. Lastly, the CMA encourages further research into new vaccines and therapies to protect against future pandemics.

CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
Guidelines for physicians in interactions with industry / Recommendations for physician innovators

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PD08-01 Guidelines for Physicians in Interactions with Industry

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Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
CMA Statement on Racism

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Documents
Framework for Ethical Decision Making During the Coronavirus Pandemic

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Health care and patient safety

Documents
Palliative care

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CMA POLICY

PALLIATIVE CARE

Introduction

Palliative care is an approach that improves the quality of life of patients who are living with a serious illness. It focuses on providing relief of pain and other symptoms, and helps patients live as actively as possible despite disease or disability. Palliative care is provided by specialized palliative care teams, and is appropriate for any diagnosis at any point in the course of the illness.

General principles

1. Palliative care should be provided along with other forms of therapy, and in situations where curative treatment is not possible or not beneficial.
2. Palliative care should be provided to patients of all ages, regardless of the stage of illness.
3. Palliative care should be provided to patients with all types of illnesses, including terminal illnesses.
4. Palliative care should be provided to patients in all settings, including hospitals, homes, and hospices.
5. Palliative care should be provided to patients regardless of their health care beliefs or cultural backgrounds.

The Canadian Medical Association supports the implementation of a national policy on palliative care, which should include:

1. Adequate funding for palliative care services
2. Access to trained palliative care providers
3. Integration of palliative care into all levels of health care delivery
Organ and tissue donation and transplantation
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14126

POLICY TYPE  Policy document
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REPLACES  Organ and tissue donation and transplantation (update 2015)
TOPICS  Ethics and medical professionalism
Health care and patient safety

Documents

Equity and diversity in medicine
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EQUITY AND DIVERSITY IN MEDICINE

See also: CMA's Action Plan on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

A. BACKGROUND

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) is committed to promoting equity and diversity in medicine. This includes the provision of healthcare services that are accessible and equitable for all people, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religion, age, socioeconomic status, disability, and other factors. This commitment is grounded in the principles of the Canadian Medical Association’s (CMA) Code of Ethics, which states that “all Canadians” are entitled to equal treatment before the law and equitable access to medical care.

The CMA recognizes that equity and diversity in medicine are complex issues that require a multifaceted approach. This approach includes addressing systemic barriers and promoting cultural competence among healthcare providers. The CMA is committed to working with healthcare professionals and communities to develop and implement strategies that promote equity and diversity in medicine.

B. EXCLUSION

EXCLUSIONS

Social determinants of health, including poverty, education, occupation, and access to healthcare, are major factors that influence health outcomes. These factors are interrelated and can have a profound impact on health equity. The CMA recognizes that addressing social determinants of health is essential to achieving equity in medicine.

The CMA's Action Plan on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

The CMA's Action Plan on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion is a comprehensive strategy aimed at addressing equity and diversity in medicine. The plan includes a range of initiatives, including education and training for healthcare professionals, research, and policy advocacy. The CMA is committed to working with healthcare professionals and communities to implement the plan and achieve equitable access to medical care for all Canadians.
Joint statement on preventing and resolving ethical conflicts involving health care providers and persons receiving care

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy202

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Documents
Principles concerning physician information
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy208

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TOPICS Health information and e-health
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Caring in a Crisis: The Ethical Obligations of Physicians and Society During a Pandemic

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy9109

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TOPICS: Ethics and medical professionalism, Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
The evolving professional relationship between Canadian physicians and our health care system: Where do we stand?

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10389

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Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Guidelines for CMA’s activities and relationships with other parties
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Ethics and medical professionalism
Documents
Best practices for smartphone and smart-device clinical photo taking and sharing
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13860

POLICY TYPE  Policy document
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TOPICS  Health information and e-health
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
CMA Policy Endorsement Guidelines
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14021

POLICY TYPE  Policy document
DATE        2018-03-03
TOPICS      Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Principles for the protection of patient privacy
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13833

POLICY TYPE  Policy document
DATE    2017-12-09
REPLACES PD11-03 Principles for the Protection of Patients’ Personal Health Information
TOPICS Health information and e-health
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Charter of Shared Values: A vision for intra-professionalism for physicians
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13858

POLICY TYPE Policy document
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REPLACES CMA Charter for Physicians (Update 1999)
TOPICS Ethics and medical professionalism

Physician health
PHYSICIAN HEALTH

BACKGROUND TO CMA POLICY

1. The state of current oncologist health.

Recent years have seen a growing recognition of the importance of physician health. This recognition has led to increased efforts to address the well-being of oncologists, recognizing that the physical and emotional health of oncologists is critical to the quality of care they provide. The demands of oncology practice, which are unique and can be challenging, can affect the overall health and well-being of oncologists. This is important to note, as the health and well-being of oncologists can impact the care they provide to patients. The well-being of oncologists is not only important for their own health and quality of life, but also for the patients they care for. Therefore, it is crucial to address the health and well-being of oncologists to ensure they are able to provide the best possible care.

CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
Advance care planning
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REPLACES Advance care planning (2015)
TOPICS Ethics and medical professionalism
Population health, health equity, public health

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