Advance care planning
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13694

POLICY TYPE
Policy document

DATE
2017-05-27

REPLACES
Advance care planning (2015)

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

Documents
Appearance before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14475

Policy Type: Parliamentary submission
Date: 2022-05-09
Topics: Health systems, system funding and performance, Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

Appearance before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health

Dr. Katharine Smart
President of the Canadian Medical Association
May 9, 2022
Thank you for inviting me.
Appearance before the Standing Committee on Indigenous and Northern Affairs (INAN): Administration and accessibility of Indigenous Peoples to the Non-Insured Benefits Program

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14474

POLICY TYPE: Parliamentary submission
DATE: 2022-05-03
TOPICS: Population health, health equity, public health, Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

Appearance before the Standing Committee on Indigenous and Northern Affairs (INAN): Administration and accessibility of Indigenous Peoples to the Non-Insured Benefits Program

Dr. Alba LeBlanc
President, Assembly of First Nations

May 3, 2022

(Exact date not visible)
Best practices for smartphone and smart-device clinical photo taking and sharing

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13860

POLICY TYPE  Policy document
DATE       2018-03-03
TOPICS     Health information and e-health
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Canada’s doctors and nurses urgently calling for federal measures to address Canada’s health workforce crisis

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14460

POLICY TYPE  Parliamentary submission

DATE  2021-11-09

TOPICS  Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Canadian Medical Association input in advance of the World Health Assembly Special Session
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14461

POLICY TYPE  Parliamentary submission
DATE  2021-11-17
TOPICS  Population health, health equity, public 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

POLICY TYPE
Policy document

LAST REVIEWED
2019-03-03

DATE
2008-02-23

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

Documents
Carter: CMA submission regarding euthanasia and assisted death
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13935

POLICY TYPE
Court submission

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2011-03-05

DATE
2014-08-27

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

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

POLICY TYPE  Policy document
DATE  2017-12-09
REPLACES  CMA Charter for Physicians (Update 1999)
TOPICS  Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
CMA Recommendations on Vaccine Equity and Intellectual Property
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14476

POLICY TYPE
Parliamentary submission

DATE
2022-05-13

TOPICS
Ethics and medical professionalism
Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs
Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
CMA’s formal submission to the Federal External Panel on assisted dying
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy11750

POLICY TYPE
Parliamentary submission

LAST REVIEWED
2019-03-03

DATE
2015-10-19

TOPICS
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
CMA Statement on Racism

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14245

POLICY TYPE
Policy document

DATE
2020-06-02

TOPICS
Ethics and medical professionalism
Health care and patient safety

Documents

CMA Statement on Racism

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) is committed to promoting health equity and addressing racism. This commitment is guided by the Association’s values and principles, which are based on the belief that all people have the right to access quality health care.

In Canada, a significant portion of the population experiences racism and discrimination, which can have profound impacts on their health and well-being. This is particularly true for Indigenous peoples and members of racialized communities.

The healthcare system is not immune to racism and discrimination. It can lead to unequal treatment, disparities in care, and outcomes for patients from marginalized communities. The CMA is committed to ensuring that healthcare services are accessible and equitable for all.

To address this issue, the CMA has developed a number of policies and initiatives. These include the creation of a task force to study and address racism in medicine, as well as the development of a framework for addressing racism in healthcare systems.

By working together with healthcare providers, patients, and the community, the CMA strives to create a more equitable and just healthcare system for all Canadians.

To: [Name]

From: [Name]

Re: CMA Statement on Racism

This is to confirm our commitment to promoting health equity and addressing racism. We are committed to ensuring that healthcare services are accessible and equitable for all Canadians.

Sincerely,

[Name]

President, Canadian Medical Association
CMA Submission to the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills and Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities’ study of Bill C-3, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Canada Labour Code

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14464

POLICY TYPE
Parliamentary submission

DATE
2021-12-15

TOPICS
Health care and patient safety
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

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CMA Submission to the Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology’s study of Bill C-3, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Canada Labour Code

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14462

POLICY TYPE  Parliamentary submission
DATE  2021-12-10
TOPICS  Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Committee Appearance – Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee:
Bill C-7 – An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (medical assistance in dying)
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy4380

POLICY TYPE: Parliamentary submission
DATE: 2020-11-23
TOPICS: Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
EQUITY AND DIVERSITY IN MEDICINE

A PRIORITY

The provision of high-quality, compassionate, equitable and respectful care to all people is the ultimate goal of the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) and its members. This principle is fundamental to the practice of medicine and health care. It is a moral duty to ensure that all people receive care that is free from discrimination, bias, and prejudice, and is delivered with dignity, respect, and empathy. This commitment to equity and diversity is articulated in the CMA’s Preamble to the Code of Ethics, which states that “the CMA advocates and promotes policies, practices, and actions that support equity and reduce health disparities among all people,” and in the CMA’s Policy on Health Services and Policy on Health Equity.

A BACKGROUND

Throughout history, medical professionals have been challenged to address issues of equity and diversity in health care. The complexity of these issues is rooted in the social, economic, and political structures that shape the health and well-being of individuals and communities. The CMA recognizes that these structures often result in disparities in health outcomes, access to care, and the quality of care received. To address these disparities, the CMA has developed policies and guidelines to promote equity and diversity in health care.

CMA STATEMENT ON EQUITY AND DIVERSITY IN MEDICINE

What is equity? Equity is the principle of fairness and justice in the distribution and allocation of health resources and opportunities to all individuals and communities. Equity in health care means that all people, regardless of their social, economic, or cultural background, have equal opportunities to access and receive high-quality health care.

Why equity matters?

Equity matters because it is a fundamental human right. It is also a core value of the Canadian Medical Association and its members. The principle of equity is enshrined in the CMA’s Preamble to the Code of Ethics and in the CMA’s Policy on Health Equity.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1. Respect for the dignity of every person, as reflected in the fundamental principles of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
2. Commitment to providing equitable access to health care and the belief that every person should have equal access to the resources and opportunities that contribute to health and well-being.
3. Recognition of the importance of cultural diversity and the need to respect and promote the cultural, linguistic, and religious beliefs and practices of all individuals and communities.
4. Commitment to eliminating discrimination, bias, and prejudice in health care and to promoting respect, empathy, and understanding among all people.
5. Recognition of the roles of health care professionals in promoting equity and reducing health disparities in health care systems and in society.

The CMA recognizes the need to continuously improve its policies and practices to promote equity and diversity in health care. The CMA encourages all members and stakeholders to contribute to this process through ongoing dialogue and collaboration.

For more information, please visit: http://www.cma.ca/equity

This statement is in keeping with the CMA’s commitment to promoting equity and reducing health disparities in health care systems and in society. The CMA encourages all members and stakeholders to contribute to this process through ongoing dialogue and collaboration.

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