Best practices for smartphone and smart-device clinical photo taking and sharing

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POLICY TYPE  Policy document
DATE  2018-03-03
TOPICS  Health information and e-health
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Documents
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TOPICS  Physician practice, compensation, forms
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WHAT IT IS

The purpose of this statement is to outline the development of a patient-partnered health information governance framework that integrates patient experience and health outcomes into the governance of health information. This framework is designed to ensure that the management and use of health information is aligned with patient needs and preferences, thereby improving the quality and effectiveness of health care.

The framework seeks to achieve the following objectives:

1. Promote patient-centred care by involving patients in the decision-making process.
2. Ensure that health information is used to improve patient outcomes and support evidence-based decision-making.
3. Foster collaboration between health care providers, patients, and other stakeholders to enhance the quality and accessibility of health information.
4. Support the development of policies and regulations that govern the use of health information.

This framework is intended to serve as a guide for organizations that wish to implement a patient-partnered approach to health information governance.

CMA Statement on the Governance of Health Information: A patient-partnered health information governance framework

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14485
Enhancing equitable access to virtual care in Canada: Principle-based recommendations for equity

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14447

POLICY TYPE       Policy endorsement
DATE              2021-04-30
TOPICS            Population health, health equity, public health
                  Health information and e-health

Documents
Guiding Principles for Physician Electronic Medical Records (EMR) Adoption in Ambulatory Clinical Practice
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy9117

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TOPICS  Health information and e-health
Guiding principles for physicians recommending mobile health applications to patients

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy11521

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Policy document

DATE
2015-05-30

TOPICS
Health information and e-health
Physician practice, compensation, forms

Documents
Guiding principles for the optimal use of data analytics by physicians at the point of care
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy11812

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2020-02-29
Health information and e-health

Listening to our Patient’s Concerns: Comments on Bill C 54 (Personal Information Protection and Electronic Document Act): Submission to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Industry
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy1980

Parliamentary submission
2019-03-03
Health care and patient safety
Health information and e-health
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“Listening to our Patient’s Concerns”

Comments on Bill C-54
(Personal Information Protection and Electronic Document Act)

Submission to the House of Commons
Standing Committee on Industry

March 18, 1999
Ottawa, Ontario

To: Honourable Minister, Industry

Dear [Minister’s Name],

This letter represents the views of the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) with respect to Bill C-54, the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Document Act. The CMA has been following the evolution of information technology (IT) and its impact on patients and health care providers for many years.

Bill C-54 is intended to protect personal health information in electronic form. The CMA believes that it is important to ensure that the Act is robust and adequately addresses the needs of patients and health care providers. The CMA has identified several areas of concern that should be addressed in the Act.

1. **Accessibility:**
   - The Act should ensure that patients have access to their own personal health information in electronic form.
   - Health care providers should be able to access patients’ information to provide care.

2. **Consent:**
   - The Act should require explicit consent from patients before their personal health information is accessed or shared.
   - Consent should be obtained in a manner that is appropriate to the context in which the information is being used.

3. **Security:**
   - The Act should ensure that personal health information is protected from unauthorized access.
   - Health care providers should have access to their own patient information for the purposes of clinical practice.

4. **Transparency:**
   - The Act should require that health care providers and patients are informed about how their personal health information is being used.

5. **De-identification:**
   - The Act should allow for the de-identification of personal health information to enable research and statistical analysis.

The CMA recommends that the following changes be made to the Bill to address the concerns raised:

- Amend the definition of “personal health information” to include information that can identify a patient.
- Require explicit consent for the use of personal health information.
- Establish a clear and comprehensive framework for the sharing of personal health information.
- Ensure that health care providers have access to their own personal health information.
- Provide for the de-identification of personal health information.

The CMA looks forward to working with the government to ensure that Bill C-54 is effective in protecting personal health information while respecting the needs of patients and health care providers.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
Canadian Medical Association

[Address]
Principles concerning physician information
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy208

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Health information and e-health
Ethics and medical professionalism
Principles for the protection of patient privacy

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REPLACES
PD11-03 Principles for the Protection of Patients’ Personal Health Information

TOPICS
Health information and e-health
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Putting Patients First: Comments on Bill C 6 (Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act): Submission to the Senate Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy1979
Report of the Virtual Care Task Force
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14440

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Documents
Virtual Care in Canada: progress and potential. Report of the Virtual Care Task Force

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14470

POLICY TYPE: Policy endorsement
DATE: 2022-02-26
TOPICS: Health information and e-health

Documents
Vision for e-Prescribing: a joint statement by the Canadian Medical Association and the Canadian Pharmacists Association

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10670

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TOPICS: Health information and e-health, Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs

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