CMA Recommendations on Vaccine Equity and Intellectual Property

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Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs
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Appearance before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health

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2022-05-09

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Health systems, system funding and performance
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

Appearance before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health

Dr. Katherine 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

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

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

Dr. Alisa Lafontaine
President-Elect of the Canadian Medical Association

May 4, 2022

(Canada's national medical association)
Health Human Resource Policy Recommendations: Summary. Briefing to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health
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Federal Policy Options to Advance Pan-Canadian Licensure
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Health systems, system funding and performance
Health human resources
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Study on Canada’s Health Workforce
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        Health human resources
        Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

Appearance before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health:

Study on Canada’s Health Workforce

DR. Keith Warren
President of the Canadian Medical Association
February 16, 2022
 Clerk present.

CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
Recommendations for federal action to address Canada’s health care crisis
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Health systems, system funding and performance
Health human resources
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Study on Bill S-209, An Act respecting Pandemic Observance Day
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Health care and patient safety
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

Appearance before the Senate
Standing Committee on Social
Affairs, Science and Technology

Study on Bill S-209, An Act respecting Pandemic
Observance Day

Dr. J. Douglas Newcomb
President of the Canadian Medical Association

February 08, 2022
189 Sussex Avenue
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

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Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
New Criminal Code offence to protect health workers from threats and violence, including online
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14463

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

Documents
Canada’s doctors and nurses urgently calling for federal measures to address Canada’s health workforce crisis
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Ethics and medical professionalism
Vaccine certificates
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TOPICS
Population health, health equity, public health
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

Vaccine certificates

Policy position recommendation

1. The CMA supports the implementation of systems for the secure and controlled issuance of digital vaccine certificates. These systems should be transparent, accessible, and user-friendly. The CMA encourages the development of such systems in a collaborative manner, involving stakeholders from various sectors, including government, health care providers, and tech companies.

2. The CMA recommends that vaccine certificates should be issued in a way that respects patient privacy and confidentiality. The information contained in vaccine certificates should be limited to what is necessary for verification purposes and should not include personal health data not directly related to vaccination status.

3. The CMA supports the use of vaccine certificates in settings where they are necessary to enable safe and equitable access to certain activities or services. This includes settings such as workplaces, events, and international travel, where vaccine verification is required by authorities.

4. The CMA encourages ongoing monitoring and evaluation of vaccine certificate systems to assess their effectiveness, patient satisfaction, and adherence to privacy and confidentiality standards.

5. The CMA believes that vaccine certificate systems should be developed and implemented in a manner that is consistent with ethical principles, including respect for patient autonomy, justice, and non-maleficence. The systems should also be designed to facilitate fair and equitable access to vaccination for all population groups.

6. The CMA supports the development of policies and guidelines for the secure storage, sharing, and destruction of vaccine certificate data, to ensure that it is handled in a manner that respects personal privacy and confidentiality.

7. The CMA encourages open communication and collaboration among all stakeholders involved in the development and implementation of vaccine certificate systems, including governments, health care providers, tech companies, and civil society organizations. This cooperation is essential to ensure that vaccine certificate systems are effective, equitable, and respect patient rights and privacy.

8. The CMA advocates for the establishment of clear and transparent guidelines for the use of vaccine certificates, to help ensure that they are used in a way that is consistent with public health goals and respects individual rights.

9. The CMA supports the ongoing research and development of new technologies and approaches for vaccine certificate systems, to ensure that they remain effective and relevant in the rapidly evolving landscape of public health.

10. The CMA believes that vaccine certificate systems should be continually evaluated and updated to reflect new scientific evidence, changes in public health recommendations, and advancements in technology. This will help ensure that they remain effective and adaptable to new situations.

The CMA believes that vaccine certificate systems have a role to play in facilitating safe and equitable access to vaccination and other activities, while respecting patient privacy and confidentiality. However, these systems should be developed and implemented in a manner that is consistent with ethical principles and respects individual rights. The CMA encourages ongoing collaboration among all stakeholders to ensure that vaccine certificate systems are effective, equitable, and respectful of patient privacy.

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Policy Document

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Vaccine acceptance

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Documents
Global vaccine equity

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Global vaccine equity

Fully supported recommendation:

1. Limit COVID-19 vaccine use to vaccine-eligible individuals.
2. Establish global standards for vaccine production and distribution.
3. Increase access to vaccines in low- and middle-income countries.
4. Launch a global campaign to promote vaccine acceptance and use.

Background:

- Global health equity has been compromised by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Vaccine distribution has been inequitable, favoring high-income countries.
- The world has failed to achieve the goal of equitable vaccine distribution.
- The pandemic has highlighted the need for improved global health equity.

Conclusion:

- The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) calls for urgent action to address global vaccine equity issues.
- The CMA recommends investing in research and development of vaccines.
- The CMA encourages governments to prioritize equitable vaccine distribution.

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Return to school during COVID-19

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Health care and patient safety
Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)

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Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action
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