CMA Recommendations on Vaccine Equity and Intellectual Property
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Ethics and medical professionalism
Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs
Population health, health equity, public health

Documents

CMA Recommendations on Vaccine Equity and Intellectual Property
House of Commons Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development
May 11, 2022
Appearance before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health

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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 the opportunity to present today. We welcome the opportunity to provide our views on the current state of our health care system and how it can be improved.

Our position is as follows:

[Insert main points of the presentation here]
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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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. Alisa Lafontaine
President, Past President of the Canadian Medical Association

May 4, 2022

(Handwritten notes available)
Federal Policy Options to Advance Pan-Canadian Licensure
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- Health systems, system funding and performance
- Health human resources
- Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

Federal Policy Options to Advance Pan-Canadian Licensure

Improving health care by reducing interprovincial and interterritorial barriers
February 22, 2022

Canadian Medical Association
Study on Canada’s Health Workforce
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Health systems, system funding and performance
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. Cairine Wishart
President of the Canadian Medical Association
February 16, 2022

Committee on Health:
Recommendations for federal action to address Canada’s health care crisis
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14468

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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. Iain J. Chalmers
President of the Canadian Medical Association

February 04, 2022
Distributed online
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
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

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TOPICS
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Canadian Medical Association input in advance of the World Health Assembly Special Session
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy4461

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TOPICS
Population health, health equity, public health
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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TOPICS
Ethics and medical professionalism
Disclosure of COVID-19 Vaccination Status by Physicians

In the context of these recommendations:
1. If the patient requests information about their physician’s vaccination status, the physician must answer truthfully.
2. The physician must not ask the patient about their vaccination status.
3. The physician must not ask their patient’s primary care physician or other health care provider about their vaccination status.
4. The physician must not ask their patient’s family members, friends, or other people about their vaccination status.
5. The physician must not ask their patient’s employer or other organization about their vaccination status.
6. The physician must not ask their patient’s school or other educational institution about their vaccination status.
7. The physician must not ask their patient’s religious or spiritual leader about their vaccination status.
8. The physician must not ask their patient’s insurer or other health care payer about their vaccination status.
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52. The physician must not ask their patient’s religious or spiritual leader about their vaccination status.
COVID-19 Vaccine Global Intellectual Property Policy

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Documents

COVID-19 Vaccine Global Intellectual Property Policy

Policy position recommendation

1. The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) recommends Governments of Canada, provinces, and territories, in consultation with relevant public health agencies, support equitable, timely access to COVID-19 vaccines and therapeutics for all Canadians. This includes the sharing of intellectual property rights and technology transfers that could accelerate production of vaccines and therapeutics.

2. The Government of Canada and the provinces should commit to supporting the public health objectives of global access to COVID-19 vaccines and therapeutics by negotiating agreements with vaccine manufacturers that include commitments to equitable distribution.

3. The CMA recommends that all federal, provincial, and territorial health authorities ensure that all health care workers and public health officials have access to appropriate training and resources to support the safe and effective delivery of COVID-19 vaccines.

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Vaccine certificates

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Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

Vaccine certificates

Policy position recommendation

1. The Canadian Medical Association supports the development of a national, transparent, accessible, and voluntary vaccine credentialing program that is supported by the federal government, the provincial and territorial governments, and the health care system. The program should be designed to facilitate the sharing of information about vaccination status, while respecting privacy and data security. The program should be flexible and adaptable to changing public health needs, including the ongoing pandemic response.

2. The program should include a mechanism for verification of vaccination status, allowing individuals to access their vaccination records and verify their status with employers, schools, and other organizations.

3. The program should be designed to be inclusive and accessible, including provisions for individuals with disabilities or cultural and linguistic differences.

4. The program should be subject to ongoing evaluation and review, with input from stakeholders, including patients, public health officials, and health care providers.

5. The program should be integrated into existing public health and health care systems, and should be aligned with national and international standards.

6. The program should be supported by adequate funding, including for the development and implementation of the necessary technologies and infrastructure.

7. The program should be communicated effectively to the public, ensuring that information is clear and accessible.

8. The program should be subject to ongoing evaluation, with input from stakeholders, including patients, public health officials, and health care providers.

9. The program should be designed to be adaptable to changing public health needs, including the ongoing pandemic response.

10. The program should be subject to ongoing evaluation and review, with input from stakeholders, including patients, public health officials, and health care providers.
Global vaccine equity

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Ethics and medical professionalism
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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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Guidelines for physicians in interactions with industry

See also companion policy Recommendations for physician innovators

Physicians and medical directors are working to ensure that patients are provided with the best possible health care. Physicians are increasingly involved in research, industry and policy development. They may have financial investments or other relationships in industry. The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) is pleased to provide this policy in order to assist physicians in managing their interactions with industry. The policy is intended to ensure that patients receive the highest-quality care, while promoting the long-term sustainable health and well-being of Canadians.

The CMA is a member of the International Society of Medical Experts (ISME), which represents medical experts around the world. ISME promotes high standards of clinical care and ethical conduct in medical research and development. The CMA policy reflects the principles and standards set by ISME.

The policy is intended to:

1. Promote the highest standards of clinical care and ethical conduct in medical research and development.
2. Ensure that patients receive the highest-quality care.
3. Protect the integrity and independence of physicians.
4. Promote the long-term sustainable health and well-being of Canadians.

The policy applies to all physicians, regardless of their specialty or area of practice.

Recommendations for Physician Innovators

See also companion policy Guidelines for physicians in interactions with industry

Physicians are encouraged to participate in research and development, which has the potential to improve patient outcomes and advance medical knowledge. However, physicians must be aware of their responsibilities to their patients and the institution or organization with whom they are conducting research.

The policy provides guidance for physicians who wish to participate in research and development. The policy includes recommendations for physicians on how to manage conflicts of interest, maintain scientific integrity, and ensure patient safety.

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The policy applies to all physicians, regardless of their specialty or area of practice.

For more information, see the CMA’s Code of Ethics and Medical Professionalism.
Committee Appearance – Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee: 
Bill C-7 – An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (medical assistance in dying)  
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