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Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination of health care workers

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TOPICS
Health human resources
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Documents

Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination of health care workers

Policy position recommendation:
1. All health care workers should be required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. The benefits of vaccination outweigh the risks for health care workers, their families, communities, and other hospital visitors.
2. Health care workers should be educated about the importance of vaccination, including the benefits of vaccination versus the risks of non-vaccination.
3. Vaccination rates should be monitored and publicly reported to ensure compliance with vaccination requirements.
4. Employers should be required to provide a safe and healthy work environment for all health care workers.
5. Health care workers who are unable or unwilling to be vaccinated should be provided with alternative employment opportunities.

COVID-19 vaccination should be mandatory for all health care workers, including staff, volunteers, and contractors, to ensure the safety of patients and the communities they serve.
Vaccine acceptance

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Vaccine acceptance

Policy position recommendation

1. High risk to vaccinate based on individual risk, including: pre-existing health conditions that may increase the risk of vaccine adverse reactions; age (elderly or young children); presence of underlying conditions that may increase the risk of vaccine adverse reactions; and use of other medicinal substances that may interact with the vaccine.

2. It is important to recognize that vaccines are safe and effective. Vaccination is an essential public health measure to prevent and control communicable diseases.

3. The risk of any adverse reaction from a vaccine is very low compared to the risk of the disease it prevents. The benefits of vaccination outweigh the risks.

4. Efforts should be made to increase vaccine uptake, including: providing clear and accurate information about the vaccine; addressing concerns and misconceptions; and ensuring convenient access to vaccination services.

5. Vaccine equity is important to ensure that all groups have equal access to vaccines. This includes ensuring that populations at higher risk of vaccine hesitancy have access to adequate information and support services.

6. It is important to continue monitoring vaccine safety and effectiveness, as well as to address any concerns that may arise.
Global vaccine equity
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Global vaccine equity

Policy recommendation:
1. Canada should not be the 30th country to receive adequate vaccine doses. The Global vaccine equity principles should be implemented to ensure equitable access to vaccines worldwide.
2. In no country should the number of doses per inhabitant be lower than 10 per 100 people.
3. In high-income countries, there should be a surplus of vaccines to allow for equitable distribution.
4. In low-income countries, there should be no vaccine shortages.
5. The allocation of vaccines should be based on need and capacity.

Immunization targets:
- 70% of the population should be vaccinated within the first year of the pandemic.
- 90% of the population should be vaccinated within the second year of the pandemic.

Implementation:
- The government should prioritize the vaccination of vulnerable populations, such as the elderly, pregnant women, and people with chronic health conditions.
- The government should work with international organizations to ensure global vaccine equity.
- The government should provide financial support to low-income countries to purchase vaccines.

Evaluation:
- The government should monitor the progress of vaccination campaigns and adjust strategies as necessary.
- The government should ensure that vaccine distribution is transparent and equitable.

Conclusion:
- Global vaccine equity is essential to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and protect public health.
- The government should take immediate action to ensure that vaccines are distributed fairly and equitably.

References:
Return to school during COVID-19

Return to school during COVID-19

Policy recommendation

1. The risk of severe disease and complications from COVID-19 is higher in children compared to adults. Therefore, children should be encouraged to engage in activities that promote physical and mental health, such as physical activity, play, and social interactions. The use of masks and other personal protective equipment (PPE) should be encouraged, particularly in crowded or indoor settings.

2. The Canadian Mental Health Association recommends that schools implement strategies to support mental health, such as providing access to mental health resources and promoting positive mental health practices. This includes providing support for students who are experiencing stress or anxiety related to the pandemic.

3. The government should provide funding and support for schools to implement measures to reduce the transmission of COVID-19. This includes providing additional funding for the purchase of PPE, cleaning supplies, and other resources needed to ensure a safe learning environment.

4. The government should encourage schools to implement mandatory vaccination policies for students, particularly for those who are eligible to receive the vaccine.

5. The government should provide support for schools to implement measures to support the mental health of students, including providing access to mental health resources and promoting positive mental health practices.

TOPICS
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Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)

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