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CMA policy document
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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Vaccine acceptance

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

Vaccine acceptance

Policy recommendation

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5. Support the development of culturally appropriate vaccine education materials and strategies.

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7. Enhance public health measures to ensure equitable access and distribution of vaccines internationally.

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Return to school during COVID-19

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Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)
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Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)

Policy position recommendation:

1. The Canadian Taxpayer Federation recommends that the government consider the interchangeability of vaccines, including mixing of different vaccine types or brands, to increase the supply of vaccines available to Canadians.

2. The Canadian Medical Association recommends that the government consider developing a national strategy for vaccine interchangeability, including the creation of a national registry of vaccine preferences and the development of guidelines for the safe and effective mixing of vaccines.

References:


Firearms Control (Update 2021)
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REPLACES  Firearms control (Update 2001)

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Documents
The Canadian Interdisciplinary Palliative Care Competency Framework

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CMA Statement on Racism

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CMA Statement on Racism

As part of a broader statement about health care, health equity and society, the
Canadian Medical Association (CMA) has released a policy document titled
"CMA Statement on Racism." This document highlights the importance of
addressing systemic racism and its impact on health outcomes.

The statement outlines the CMA's commitment to promoting health equity
for all Canadians, recognizing the role of health care professionals in
addressing racial and ethnic disparities. The document emphasizes the need
for cultural competence and sensitivity in healthcare delivery to ensure
that all patients receive high-quality care regardless of their race, ethnicity,
or cultural background.

The CMA encourages healthcare providers to:

- Recognize and address unconscious biases.
- Foster an environment of open communication and discussion.
- Provide ongoing education and training to healthcare professionals.
- Partner with communities to understand and address health disparities.
- Advocate for policies and programs that address systemic racism.
- Support research and data collection to better understand health outcomes.

The CMA is committed to working with healthcare organizations,
community members, and policymakers to implement strategies that
advance health equity and address the needs of all patients.

To: [Addressees]

[Signature]

President, Canadian Medical Association

[Date]
Responding to the COVID-19 pandemic: Federal measures to recognize the significant contributions of Canada’s front-line health care workers

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Framework for Ethical Decision Making During the Coronavirus Pandemic

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Emergency federal measures to care for and protect Canadians during the COVID-19 pandemic
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Appropriateness in Health Care

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CMA POLICY

Appropriateness in Health Care

Summary:
The Canadian Medical Association endorses the concept of appropriateness in health care and advocates for health care systems that optimize patient outcomes. Appropriateness in health care is achieved through the judicious and evidence-based use of health care services, ensuring that the benefits of a health care intervention outweigh the risks and costs. This policy supports the following principles:

1. All health care interventions should be based on the best available evidence. This includes the use of evidence-based guidelines and standards for the appropriate use of health care interventions.
2. Health care providers should be encouraged to use resources efficiently and effectively, avoiding unnecessary or inappropriate interventions.
3. Health care systems should support the development and implementation of evidence-based guidelines and standards for the appropriate use of health care interventions.

Introduction:
In health care systems, the concept of appropriateness is widely recognized as a core principle. The CMA has published a number of reports and guidelines on the appropriate use of health care interventions. These guidelines are intended to help health care providers make informed decisions about the use of health care interventions.

Policy:

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Health Canada consultation on proposed vaping products promotion regulations
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Organ and tissue donation and transplantation

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REPLACES
Organ and tissue donation and transplantation (update 2015)

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Documents
Clinical guideline for homeless and vulnerably housed people, and people with lived homelessness experience

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Health Canada consultation on vaping products labelling and packaging regulations
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Health Canada consultation on potential market for cannabis health products that would not require practitioner oversight
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