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                       Health systems, system funding and performance

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Dr. Katherine Smart
President of the Canadian Medical Association
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Health human resources
Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
Policy Brief: CSAM-SMCA in Support of the Decriminalization of Drug Use and Possession for Personal Use

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Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs
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https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14373

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Health human resources
Health systems, system funding and performance

Documents
Taking action on drug shortages during Covid-19 – open letter
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14261

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TOPICS
Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs

Documents
Protecting and supporting Canada’s health-care providers during COVID-19
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14260

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TOPICS
Physician practice, compensation, forms
Health systems, system funding and performance
Health human resources

Documents
Flexibility in Medical Training (Update 2009)
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy9485

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Authorizing Cannabis for Medical Purposes

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TOPICS  Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs

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CMA POLICY

Authorizing Cannabis for Medical Purposes

The legalization of cannabis for recreational purposes came into effect with the Cannabis Act of 2018, which permits the production and sale of cannabis for personal and medicinal use. However, the use of cannabis for medical purposes has been explored and debated for decades. The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) has been involved in discussions surrounding the medical use of cannabis.

The CMA’s position on authorizing cannabis for medical purposes is based on a careful review of the evidence and the best interests of patients. The CMA recommends that cannabis use be regulated to ensure its safe and effective use. This includes the development of appropriate guidelines for healthcare providers, ensuring patient education, and monitoring the outcomes of cannabis use in medical settings.

The CMA supports research on the therapeutic effects of cannabis, including studies on its potential benefits for conditions such as pain management and multiple sclerosis. However, the CMA also acknowledges that there is a need for further research to fully understand the risks and benefits associated with cannabis use.

The CMA encourages healthcare providers to be informed about the legal and ethical implications of authorizing cannabis for medical purposes. This includes staying updated with the latest developments in cannabis legislation and ensuring that patients are adequately informed about the risks and benefits of cannabis use.

The CMA recommends that healthcare providers be knowledgeable about the potential side effects of cannabis and the risks associated with its use. Healthcare providers should also be aware of the potential for cannabis to interact with other medications, leading to potential complications.

In conclusion, the CMA supports the legalization of cannabis for medical purposes, provided that appropriate regulations and guidelines are in place to ensure its safe and effective use. The CMA encourages healthcare providers to be informed about the potential benefits and risks of cannabis use and to engage in ongoing education to stay updated with the latest developments in this area.
Health Canada consultation on reducing youth access and appeal of vaping products
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14078

POLICY TYPE: Response to consultation
DATE: 2019-05-24
TOPICS: Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs
Population health, health equity, public health

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Standing Committee on Health’s study on violence faced by healthcare workers

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy4052

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Parliamentary submission

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TOPICS
Health care and patient safety
Ethics and medical professionalism
Health human resources
Physician practice, compensation, forms

Documents
Scopes of practice
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LAST REVIEWED  2019-03-03
DATE  2002-01-22
TOPICS  Health human resources

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CMA POLICY

SCOPES OF PRACTICE

Purpose

The policy outlines the principles and criteria for appropriate, professional practice within the fields of medicine, surgery, anesthesia, radiology, and in the provision of diagnostic services. The document emphasizes the importance of ongoing education, training, and practice in these areas. It highlights the need for close collaboration among healthcare professionals to ensure the best possible outcomes for patients.

Described:

Data are key to improved health care. The CMA supports the development of policies and guidelines that promote evidence-based practice, patient safety, and quality of care. These guidelines should be evidence-based and appropriately disseminated to healthcare professionals.

Principle for determining scope of practice:

Principle: Scope of practice must be determined in consultation with appropriate health authorities, in accordance with relevant professional standards and guidelines. This process should involve the involvement of healthcare professionals, including physicians, nurses, and other health care practitioners.

The policy also outlines the importance of continuous education and professional development, particularly in the rapidly evolving field of technology and its application in healthcare.

For further information, please contact the CMA's policy department.
Cannabis for Medical Purposes

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Cannabis for Medical Purposes

CMA POLICY

1. Licit use of cannabis—The CMA recommends that the federal and provincial governments:

   a. develop and enforce a comprehensive, scientifically valid national research strategy that recognizes the potential benefits and risks of cannabis, and determine the appropriate role of cannabis for medical purposes.

   b. develop comprehensive, evidence-based public health policies on cannabis, including measures to prevent use of cannabis by youth and individuals with mental illness.

   c. provide information to the public on the health risks and benefits of cannabis.

2. Medication use and seniors—The CMA recommends that the federal and provincial governments:

   a. develop and enforce a comprehensive, scientifically valid national research strategy that recognizes the potential benefits and risks of cannabis, and determine the appropriate role of cannabis for medical purposes.

   b. develop comprehensive, evidence-based public health policies on cannabis, including measures to prevent use of cannabis by youth and individuals with mental illness.

   c. provide information to the public on the health risks and benefits of cannabis.
Medication use and seniors (Update 2017)

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10151

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LAST REVIEWED
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DATE
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Medication use and seniors

TOPICS
Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs
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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LAST REVIEWED  2019-03-03
DATE  2012-12-08
TOPICS  Health information and e-health, Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs

Documents
Management of physician fatigue
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy11127

POLICY TYPE  Policy document
LAST REVIEWED  2019-03-03
DATE  2014-05-24
TOPICS  Health human resources

Documents
PHYSICIAN RESOURCE PLANNING  
(Updated 2015)

The purpose of the policy statement is to define the key elements required to properly allocate physicians to geographic areas, in order to meet the needs of Canadians. To deliver high-quality, timely, and effective care, health systems in resource-constrained environments must prioritize the allocation of physicians to areas where they are most needed. A well-trained and appropriately sized physician workforce is key to ensuring the delivery of high-quality health care.

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) and its members continue to be concerned about the effects of the current physician shortage. In recent years, the health care system in Canada has been challenged by significant changes in the demand for health care services, resulting in increased pressure on the physician workforce.

Key highlights:
1. Physician resource planning optimizes a pro-Canadians approach to health human resources.
2. Physician resource planning supports the delivery of high-quality health care.
3. Physician resource planning is integral to the health care system.
4. Physician resource planning is essential to ensuring the delivery of high-quality health care.

Introduction
The purpose of the policy statement is to define the elements required to properly allocate physicians to geographic areas.

Policy statement
- Physician resource planning is a key element in the delivery of high-quality health care in Canada.
- Physician resource planning is essential to ensuring the delivery of high-quality health care in Canada.
- Physician resource planning is integral to the health care system in Canada.
- Physician resource planning is a critical component of the health care system in Canada.

Conclusion
The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) supports the ongoing development and implementation of physician resource planning in Canada.

Resources
- Canadian Medical Association (CMA)
- Health Canada
- Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI)
- Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) report on physician workforce planning.

For more information, please visit the CMA Policybase at: https://policybase.cma.ca/policy11533

CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
Health Canada consultation on edible cannabis, extracts & topicals
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14020

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