CMA Statement on the Governance of Health Information: A patient-partnered health information governance framework

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A patient-partnered health information governance framework

WHAT IT IS
The purpose of this statement is to outline the principles and practices of patient-partnered health information governance and to provide guidance for the development, implementation, and evaluation of health information governance frameworks. The statement emphasizes the importance of involving patients, health care providers, and other stakeholders in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of health information governance frameworks.

WHAT IT ACHIEVES
The statement aims to achieve the following outcomes:
1. Improve patient engagement and empowerment by involving patients in the development, implementation, and evaluation of health information governance frameworks.
2. Enhance the quality and safety of health care by ensuring the effective and secure management of health information.
3. Support the development of evidence-based health information governance frameworks through the involvement of patients, health care providers, and other stakeholders.

WHAT IT RECOMMENDS
The statement recommends the following measures for the development, implementation, and evaluation of health information governance frameworks:
1. Establish clear communication channels between patients, health care providers, and other stakeholders.
2. Ensure the confidentiality and security of health information through the implementation of appropriate security measures.
3. Conduct regular reviews and evaluations of health information governance frameworks to ensure their effectiveness and efficiency.

WHAT IT CONCLUDES
The statement concludes that patient-partnered health information governance frameworks are essential for improving the quality and safety of health care. The involvement of patients, health care providers, and other stakeholders is crucial for the development, implementation, and evaluation of these frameworks.
CMA Recommendations on Vaccine Equity and Intellectual Property
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CMA Recommendations on Vaccine Equity and Intellectual Property

House of Commons Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development
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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

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VIRTUAL CARE IN CANADA:
PROGRESS AND POTENTIAL

REPORT OF THE VIRTUAL CARE TASK FORCE
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Canadian Medical Association input in advance of the World Health Assembly Special Session

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New Criminal Code offence to protect health workers from threats and violence, including online
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Documents
Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination of health care workers

1. All health care workers should be encouraged to get vaccinated. This includes
   - Physicians
   - Nurses
   - Physiotherapists
   - Pharmacists
   - Laboratory technologists
   - Dental hygienists
   - Social workers
   - Other health care professionals

2. Health care workers should be encouraged to receive the COVID-19 vaccine
   - Through primary care providers
   - Through employer-based vaccine clinics
   - Through community-based vaccine clinics

3. Health care workers should be aware of the benefits and risks of the COVID-19 vaccine
   - Benefits include protection against severe illness, hospitalization, and death
   - Risks include possible side effects such as fever, fatigue, and muscle pain

4. Health care workers should be provided with information about the COVID-19 vaccine
   - Including details about the vaccine's efficacy, safety, and side effects
   - Including information about the vaccine's availability and distribution

5. Health care workers should be given the opportunity to discuss their concerns about the COVID-19 vaccine
   - With their employers
   - With their health care providers

6. Health care workers should be given the opportunity to opt out of receiving the COVID-19 vaccine
   - If they have medical contraindications
   - If they have personal or religious objections

7. Health care workers should be given support in managing any adverse effects of the COVID-19 vaccine
   - Including access to medical care
   - Including access to support services

8. Health care workers should be given support in responding to public concerns about the COVID-19 vaccine
   - Including guidance on how to address concerns about the vaccine's safety and efficacy
   - Including guidance on how to promote the benefits of the vaccine to the public
Vaccine acceptance

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Global vaccine equity

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Documents
Return to school during COVID-19

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Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)

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Policy recommendations:

1. The CMA supports the recommendation made by the Federal Advisory Committee on Interchangeability of COVID-19 Vaccines that vaccines from different manufacturers be included in vaccine deployment plans where the interchangeability of vaccines is supported by data from clinical trials.

2. The CMA supports the Health Canada recommendation to ensure an adequate supply of vaccines and the participation of vaccine manufacturers in any vaccine distribution plan. The CMA also supports the continued provision of vaccines by the National Emergency Stockpile through the Public Health Agency of Canada.

3. The CMA supports the recommendation that vaccine manufacturers work with health authorities to ensure that evidence regarding the interchangeability of vaccines is provided in a timely manner.

4. The CMA supports the recommendation that vaccine manufacturers provide information on the interchangeability of vaccines to health authorities and the public.

Interchangeability of vaccines: what it means for patients

Interchangeability of vaccines means that vaccines are equivalent in their ability to prevent disease. It is important to note that interchangeability does not mean that vaccines are identical, but rather that they are effective in producing the desired immune response.

Interchangeability of vaccines and European Medicines Agency (EMA)

The EMA has published guidance on the interchangeability of vaccines. This guidance provides recommendations on the evaluation of interchangeability and the use of interchangeability in vaccine deployment.

Interchangeability of vaccines and the World Health Organization (WHO)

The WHO has published guidance on the interchangeability of vaccines. This guidance provides recommendations on the evaluation of interchangeability and the use of interchangeability in vaccine deployment.

The CMA encourages vaccine manufacturers to work with health authorities to ensure that evidence regarding the interchangeability of vaccines is provided in a timely manner.

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The Future of Care for Canada’s Older Adults
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Documents
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Bill C-30: The Budget Implementation Act, 2021

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Documents

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