Environmental Sustainable Health Systems in Canada

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**CMA POLICY**

**Environmentally Sustainable Health Systems in Canada**

**RATIONALS**

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) supports the development of comprehensive and sustainable health systems in Canada that are designed to protect and promote the health of all Canadians. The CMA endorses the development of health systems that are equitable, accessible, safe, and efficient, and that prioritize the health and well-being of all Canadians. The CMA advocates for the following principles in the development of health systems in Canada:

- **Equity:** Health systems should be designed to ensure that all Canadians have equal access to quality health care, regardless of socioeconomic status, race, ethnicity, gender, or other factors.
- **Accessibility:** Health systems should be accessible to all Canadians, regardless of their geographic location or financial status.
- **Quality:** Health systems should provide high-quality care that is safe, effective, and evidence-based.
- **Sustainability:** Health systems should be sustainable in terms of financial resources, human resources, and environmental impact.

The CMA recognizes that the development of sustainable health systems requires a multidisciplinary approach that involves collaboration between governments, healthcare providers, and community members. The CMA supports the establishment of a national framework for the development of sustainable health systems in Canada, which includes:

- Developing a national strategy for sustainable health systems
- Investing in public health initiatives
- Supporting research and innovation in health care delivery
- Ensuring equitable access to health care for all Canadians

The CMA encourages the federal government to work with provinces and territories to develop sustainable health systems that are responsive to the needs of Canadians and that support the achievement of health equity.
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CMA Recommendations on Canada’s First National Adaptation Strategy: Addressing the health impacts of climate change
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CMA Letter to the Council of the Federation regarding the Council of the Federation meeting and Canada’s health funding priorities (health workforce, primary care, labour mobility)
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June 12, 2022
Her Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
http://www Canada.gc.ca

Re: Council of the Federation meeting: Canada’s health funding priorities (health workforce, primary care, labour mobility)

Dear Mr. Prime Minister,

I am writing on behalf of the Canadian Medical Association (CMA), in response to the recent meeting of the Council of the Federation. The CMA appreciates the opportunity to provide input on Canada’s health funding priorities, particularly in light of the ongoing challenges faced by the health sector.

The health care system in Canada is a complex and multifaceted network that delivers care to millions of people across the country. Effective health care delivery depends on the availability of a trained and motivated health workforce, as well as robust funding arrangements. Over the years, the CMA has consistently advocated for increased funding to support the health care system, recognizing the impact of funding shortfalls on the quality and accessibility of care.

In light of the current economic and demographic trends, it is imperative that Canada invests in its health human resources. This includes supporting the development of a diverse and inclusive health workforce, addressing the challenges of labour mobility, and ensuring that health care services are adequately funded to meet the needs of all Canadians.

The CMA recommends that the federal government take the following actions:

1. Increase funding for health education and training programs to address the shortage of health care providers, particularly in underserved areas.
2. Enhance the mobility of health care workers across provinces to ensure equitable access to care.
3. Support the implementation of innovative funding models that align with the needs of the health care system.
4. Collaborate with provinces and territories to develop and implement comprehensive health care strategies that address the long-term needs of the population.

In conclusion, the health care system in Canada is a critical component of our national well-being. It is essential that we continue to invest in the health workforce and ensure that funding is adequate to support the delivery of high-quality care to all Canadians.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

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CMA Recommendations on Vaccine Equity and Intellectual Property
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Appearance before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health

Dr. Katharine Smart
President of the Canadian Medical Association

May 9, 2022

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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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Dr. Katherine Smart
President of the Canadian Medical Association
March 23, 2022

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Federal Policy Options to Advance Pan-Canadian Licensure
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### Study on Canada’s Health Workforce

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Appearance before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health:

Study on Canada’s Health Workforce

Dr. E. Kirk Smith
President of the Canadian Medical Association

February 16, 2022

Draft against time.
Recommendations for federal action to address Canada’s health care crisis
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Vaccine certificates

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Vaccine certificates

Policy position recommendation

1. The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) supports the implementation of a vaccine certificate or other verification mechanism that is consistent with public health goals and policies. Such a system should be designed and implemented in a way that respects individual privacy and confidentiality, while ensuring the safety and health of communities.
2. Implementation of a vaccine certificate system should be done in consultation with provincial and territorial health authorities, in consideration of the principles outlined in the CMA’s Code of Ethics and Standards of Medical Practice.
3. The CMA recommends that vaccine certificate systems be transparent, easy to understand, and publicly accessible. They should also be easily verifiable by health care providers and other authorized individuals.
4. The CMA supports the use of verified digital vaccine certificates, provided that they are secure and reliable, and do not compromise the privacy of individuals.
5. The CMA encourages the development of vaccine certificate systems that are compatible with existing health care systems and that are interoperable with other systems, allowing for seamless sharing of information.

The CMA recognizes the importance of vaccine certificates in the global effort to control the COVID-19 pandemic and support the safe reopening of communities and economies.
Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination of health care workers

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