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Appearance before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health

Dr. Kathleen Strong
President of the Canadian Medical Association
May 9, 2022

Thank you for the opportunity to speak today.
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Health Human Resource Policy Recommendations: Summary. Briefing to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health
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Appearance before the
Standing Committee on Human
Resources, Skills and Social
Development and the Status of
Persons with Disabilities

Dr. Katherine Smart,
President of the Canadian Medical Association
March 28, 2022

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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. Eilika Soltani
President of the Canadian Medical Association
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Recommendations for federal action to address Canada’s health care crisis
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Vaccine certificates

Policy positions:

1. The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) encourages health care workers to opt for voluntary vaccination. This approach is consistent with the principles of medical professionalism, which emphasize patient autonomy and informed consent. By offering a choice, health care workers are empowered to make an informed decision about their health and well-being.

2. If mandatory vaccination is deemed necessary, it should be accompanied by comprehensive support programs. These programs should address the concerns and challenges faced by individuals who choose not to vaccinate. This includes providing alternative options, such as accommodations, and ensuring that the measures are applied fairly and equitably.

3. The CMA supports the equitable allocation of vaccines and resources to ensure that all sectors of the population have access to vaccination programs. This is particularly important in populations that may be marginalized or have limited access to health care services.

4. The CMA encourages ongoing dialogue and collaboration between health care providers, public health officials, and other stakeholders to develop and implement effective vaccination strategies. This includes regular monitoring and evaluation of vaccination programs to ensure they are meeting the needs of the population.

5. The CMA supports the use of transparent and evidence-based methods to assess the effectiveness and safety of vaccines. This includes regular review and updating of the evidence to ensure that the vaccination policies are based on the latest scientific knowledge.

6. The CMA recommends that employers and other organizations provide support and resources to facilitate workplace vaccination. This includes providing information about vaccination, addressing concerns, and ensuring that workplace policies are aligned with the principles of medical professionalism.

7. The CMA encourages the development of international standards for vaccine requirements, taking into account the diverse contexts in which health care workers operate. This includes addressing the unique challenges faced by frontline health care workers in different settings.

8. The CMA supports the use of innovative technologies and digital platforms to enhance vaccination efforts. This includes utilizing digital tools to improve access to vaccination information, facilitate appointment scheduling, and support ongoing monitoring and evaluation of vaccination programs.
Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination of health care workers

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Global vaccine equity

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Population health, health equity, public health

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**Global vaccine equity**

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**Policy positions and recommendations**:

1. Unequal access to vaccine equity across countries. The CMA recommends that national and international action plans be developed to ensure equitable access to vaccines, including strong international cooperation on vaccine regulations.

2. The global response to COVID-19 has been fragmented and ineffective, leading to uneven vaccine distribution and severe health outcomes.

3. The CMA supports the global pandemic response to be coordinated and led by an independent body, such as the WHO, to ensure a coordinated and equitable global vaccine distribution.

4. Increased investments in research and development of new vaccines, including those for emerging diseases.

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**Background**

- Details on the current status of vaccine distribution and the need for equitable access.
- Importance of ensuring vaccine accessibility for all, especially in low and middle-income countries.

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**Strategies**

- Strengthening global health systems to ensure sustainability.
- Collaboration with international organizations to address vaccine accessibility.

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**Conclusion**

- The CMA calls for urgent action to address vaccine equity and global health security.

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

Policy position/Recommendations:

1. The CMA recognizes the need for enhanced surveillance systems to monitor adverse events associated with vaccine mixing and recommends that the federal government support ongoing research on vaccine safety and effectiveness to ensure that the mixing of different vaccine manufacturers is safe and effective.

2. The CMA supports the development of guidelines for vaccine mixing to ensure that the mixing of vaccines from different manufacturers is safe and effective. These guidelines should be based on the results of ongoing research and should be updated as new information becomes available.

3. The CMA recommends that the federal government establish a national vaccine registry to monitor the safety and effectiveness of vaccine mixing and to provide ongoing surveillance data on the use of mixed vaccines.

4. The CMA supports the development of a national vaccine education program to inform healthcare providers and the public about the safety and effectiveness of vaccine mixing.

Interchangeability of vaccines:

Interchangeability of vaccines means the administration of different vaccines to the same individual, either simultaneously or sequentially, without the need for additional immunization. It is a critical aspect of vaccine safety and effectiveness, as it allows for the timely administration of vaccines to individuals who may have missed out on previous doses or who are unable to receive the recommended vaccines due to contraindications.

Interchangeability of vaccines is essential for the successful implementation of vaccination programs, as it allows for the timely administration of vaccines to individuals who may have missed out on previous doses or who are unable to receive the recommended vaccines due to contraindications.

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