Environmentally Sustainable Health Systems in Canada

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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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Appearance before the Standing Committee on Indigenous and Northern Affairs (INAN): Administration and accessibility of Indigenous Peoples to the Non-Insured Benefits Program

Dr. Alison Furtante
President, Ecan, Chief Medical Officer, Canadian Medical Association

May 4, 2022

Thank you very much.

The system that the (Indigenous) Non-Insured Health Benefits Program is for all the health and health-related services that are available and that are not covered under any other insurance plan...
Canadian Medical Association input in advance of the World Health Assembly Special Session

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Documents
Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination of health care workers

Policy document

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TOPICS
Health human resources
Population health, health equity, public health

Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination of health care workers

Policy position recommendation:

1. All health care workers should be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 in order to protect their own health and that of their families, communities, and patients.

2. "Vaccine acceptance" includes a variety of approaches to encourage and support vaccine uptake among health care workers, including public health campaigns, workplace policies, and incentives.

3. "Communicate with transparency and honesty about the benefits and risks of COVID-19 vaccination to health care workers and their patients, including the potential for vaccine-related complications and rare adverse events."
Vaccine acceptance

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

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Global vaccine equity

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TOPICS  Ethics and medical professionalism
Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
Return to school during COVID-19
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TOPICS
Health care and patient safety
Population health, health equity, public health

Documents

Return to school during COVID-19

Policy recommendation:

1. The use of masks and physical distancing are effective tools to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in schools. Strategies to ensure mask-wearing and physical distancing should be reinforced at all levels.

2. Schools should be prepared to implement rapid testing programs and ensure adequate supplies of tests are available.

3. The use of rapid testing in schools should be considered as a means to identify asymptomatic cases and prevent the spread of COVID-19 within the school community.

4. Contact tracing and quarantine measures should be implemented in schools to quickly identify and isolate cases as needed.

5. Schools should be equipped with adequate ventilation systems and ensure proper hygiene practices are in place.

6. Regular monitoring of cases and outbreaks within schools should be conducted to inform further public health measures.

7. The implementation of vaccination programs for students and staff should be encouraged and supported.

8. Schools should work closely with public health authorities to ensure coordinated and effective response to COVID-19 cases and outbreaks.

9. Communication with students, parents, and staff should be clear and ongoing to keep them informed of the latest public health guidance.

10. Schools should be prepared to adapt their plans as new information or guidance becomes available.

Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)
CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)

Policy document

2021-08-21

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

Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)

Full policy recommendation:

1. The CMA encourages the Provincial/Territorial Governments to coordinate on interchangeability of COVID-19 vaccines, based on the best available evidence and ongoing research.

2. The CMA and the provincial/territorial governments would consider an agreement to allow interchangeability of the mRNA vaccines among the provinces and territories (i.e., if one of the mRNA vaccines is unavailable in the province or territory, the other mRNA vaccine can be used interchangeably).

3. The CMA encourages the government to ensure that all health care professionals and the public are aware of interchangeability policies and their implications for vaccine administration.

4. The CMA encourages the government to ensure that all health care professionals and the public are aware of potential contraindications and precautions for vaccine administration.

5. The CMA encourages the government to ensure that all health care professionals and the public are aware of the potential for immune response and antibody development for each vaccine.

6. The CMA encourages the government to ensure that all health care professionals and the public are aware of the potential for adverse events and how to report them.

7. The CMA encourages the government to ensure that all health care professionals and the public are aware of the potential for vaccine eligibility and how to determine eligibility.

8. The CMA encourages the government to ensure that all health care professionals and the public are aware of the potential for vaccine storage and handling and how to ensure proper storage and handling.

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12. The CMA encourages the government to ensure that all health care professionals and the public are aware of the potential for vaccine wastage and how to minimize wastage.

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Introduction

Violent crime, death, and injury are important public health issues. In 2015, the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) revised its 2001 position on firearm control, to help inform and engage a broader audience on this issue. The CMA has now released an updated policy on firearm control to provide a comprehensive evidence-based analysis of the current evidence base, and the policy implications of firearm control on public health.

The updated policy, “Firearms Control (Update 2021),” provides a more comprehensive understanding of the role of firearms in public health, and the potential of policy interventions to address these health impacts. The policy includes a review of current research and evidence, as well as an analysis of the policy landscape in Canada and other countries.

Key Findings

1. Firearms are a significant contributor to violent crime, death, and injury in Canada.
2. Policy interventions to address the public health impacts of firearms include education, enforcement, regulation, and research.
3. A comprehensive approach to firearm control is necessary to address the public health impacts of firearms.

Recommendations

1. Increase public awareness of the risks associated with firearms.
2. Support research on the public health impacts of firearms.
3. Advocate for policy changes that reduce the availability of firearms.

Conclusion

The updated policy on firearm control provides a comprehensive evidence-based analysis of the current evidence base, and the policy implications of firearm control on public health. The policy includes a review of current research and evidence, as well as an analysis of the policy landscape in Canada and other countries. This updated policy is an important contribution to the ongoing discussion on the role of firearms in public health, and the potential of policy interventions to address these health impacts.
Policy Brief: CSAM-SMCA in Support of the Decriminalization of Drug Use and Possession for Personal Use
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