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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Canadian Medical Association input in advance of the World Health Assembly Special Session
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Documents
New Criminal Code offence to protect health workers from threats and violence, including online
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São Paulo Declaration on Planetary Health
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Documents
Vaccine certificates
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Documents
Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination of health care workers

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Mandatory COVID-19 vaccination of health care workers

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) recommends universal mandatory COVID-19 vaccination of health care workers. This recommendation is based on the need to protect the health and safety of health care workers, the public and vulnerable groups, and on the ethical obligation to minimize the risk of transmission to patients and families.

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2. Enforcement of the policy through clear guidelines, training, and support for health care workers.
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Vaccine acceptance
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Global vaccine equity

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TOPICS
Ethics and medical professionalism
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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

Full policy recommendation

1. The public health guidance on communication with parents, caregivers and students is important to support ongoing communication. This includes ongoing communication on the need to follow public health measures, the importance of masking, frequent handwashing and physical distancing. This guidance should be provided to schools and school boards to ensure clear and consistent messages to parents and students.

2. The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) supports the use of rapid antigen testing in schools, as this can help identify cases and prevent transmission. This testing should be provided by qualified medical professionals or trained staff, and results should be available within 30 minutes. Rapid antigen testing should be used in conjunction with other public health measures, such as masking and physical distancing.

3. The CMA recommends that schools implement a comprehensive testing strategy, including regular testing of asymptomatic students and staff. This testing should be conducted in a safe and confidential manner, and results should be shared with the appropriate authorities.

4. The CMA supports the use of contact tracing and notification to help prevent transmission of COVID-19 in schools. This includes identifying close contacts and ensuring they are isolated and tested as appropriate.

5. The CMA recommends that schools implement a phased approach to return to school, with a focus on the most vulnerable students and staff. This approach should be flexible and responsive to the evolving situation.

6. The CMA supports the use of ventilation and air quality measures to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 in schools. This includes ensuring adequate ventilation and improving air quality through the use of air purifiers.

7. The CMA recommends that schools implement a comprehensive cleaning and disinfection program to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. This program should be based on evidence and should include regular cleaning and disinfection of high-touch surfaces.

8. The CMA supports the use of outdoor learning and physical distancing to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 in schools. This includes ensuring that classroom sizes are reduced to accommodate physical distancing.

9. The CMA recommends that schools implement a comprehensive communication strategy to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. This strategy should include clear and consistent messaging on public health measures and the importance of compliance.

10. The CMA supports the use of technology and digital tools to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 in schools. This includes the use of online learning and virtual classrooms to help reduce the spread of the virus.

The CMA encourages schools and school boards to work closely with public health authorities to ensure that the above recommendations are implemented in a safe and effective manner.
Interchangeability of vaccines (vaccine mixing)

Policy document

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

Documents
Firearms Control (Update 2021)
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Firearms control (Update 2001)

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Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs
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Documents
The Future of Care for Canada’s Older Adults
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14441

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TOPICS
Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
Enhancing equitable access to virtual care in Canada: Principle-based recommendations for equity
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14447

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TOPICS  Population health, health equity, public health
Health information and e-health

Documents
Recommendations for equitable COVID-19 pandemic recovery in Canada
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14465

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TOPICS  
Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
Appearance before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health: Study on the Emergency Situation Facing Canadians in Light of the COVID-19 Pandemic
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Call to Action: An Approach to Patient Transfers for Those Living in Rural and Remote Communities in Canada
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14466

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TOPICS: Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
CMA support for Health Canada’s proposed nicotine limits in vaping products, response to the consultation on the Concentration of Nicotine in Vaping Products Regulations

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