Mental Health, Mental Illness & Addiction: CMA Submission to the Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology

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Documents
Letter on Strengthening the Pan-Canadian Public Health System discussion paper
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[Letter text]

In June 2004, the National Advisory Committee on Nutrition, in its report, recommended a comprehensive public health strategy to address the growing burden of chronic disease in Canada. The report emphasized the importance of a coordinated approach to health promotion and disease prevention, highlighting the need for strong leadership and collaboration among all levels of government.

In response to this recommendation, the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) has been actively engaged in advocating for a comprehensive public health strategy. This strategy should encompass a range of initiatives, including public health education, policy development, and partnership building.

As a response to the consultation on the Pan-Canadian Public Health System, the CMA has submitted its comments, emphasizing the importance of a strong, coordinated public health system that addresses the challenges posed by chronic disease.

We commend the efforts being made by the federal government to establish a National Advisory Committee on Nutrition, and we look forward to continued collaboration in the development of a robust public health strategy.

CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
Answering the Wake-up Call: CMA’s Public Health Action Plan

CMA submission to the National Advisory Committee on SARS and Public Health

June 2003

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The public health services of Canada are based on our community values. As the public health services are essential to our community’s health, CMA considers it a priority to ensure that the public health systems are strengthened and expanded. CMA has developed a Public Health Action Plan with the following aims:

- To improve access to public health services
- To ensure that public health services are adequately funded
- To ensure that public health services are adequately staffed
- To ensure that public health services are adequately resourced
- To ensure that public health services are adequately evaluated
- To ensure that public health services are adequately accredited
- To ensure that public health services are adequately disseminated

CMA has developed this plan in consultation with the Canadian Public Health Association, the Public Health Association of Canada, and other public health organizations.

The plan is based on the following principles:

- Public health services are essential to our community’s health
- Public health services should be adequately funded
- Public health services should be adequately staffed
- Public health services should be adequately resourced
- Public health services should be adequately evaluated
- Public health services should be adequately accredited
- Public health services should be adequately disseminated

The plan is intended to be a living document, and CMA will continue to monitor its effectiveness and make necessary changes to ensure that the public health services of Canada are adequately supported and delivered.
Presentation to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development
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NOTES FOR AN ORAL BRIEF
Dr. Jane Doe, Chief Medical Officer and Director
Office of Public Health
Canadian Medical Association

February 2006

A healthy population is an essential component of a healthy community.
February 28, 2007

Dr. Peter Staxi, M.P.
Chair, Legislative Committee on Bill C-30
2nd Hollingsworth Building
1285 Wellington St.
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Dr. Staxi,

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) is pleased to participate in the review of the Clean Air Act (CAA). The CMA, the body representing the physicians of Canada, is a non-partisan, non-profit organization dedicated to the health and well-being of all Canadians. The CMA is the national organization representing physicians who provide patient care.

The Environment and Government of Health

The physical environment is key determinant of a population’s health and the medical professions are committed to helping all Canadians live healthy and productive lives. The environment is a critical factor in the prevention and management of health conditions. Pollution, including air pollution, is a major public health concern. Pollution can affect the health of all Canadians, but it disproportionately affects those in marginalized or vulnerable groups.

The burden of air pollution is highest among disadvantaged populations. The health impacts of air pollution are not just physical; they also affect mental health, social determinants of health, and economic productivity. For example, studies have shown that air pollution increases the risk of respiratory and cardiovascular diseases, exacerbates existing health conditions, and contributes to premature deaths.

There is strong evidence that pollution is a major public health concern. It is estimated that the economic burden of pollution on the Canadian economy is approximately C$50 billion annually. Air pollution impacts the health of Canadians, particularly vulnerable populations, and has significant economic consequences.

A study by the federal government estimated that 1,900 premature deaths occur annually in Canada due to air pollution. This study, conducted by Dr. John Krewski, estimated that air pollution reduces life expectancy by 0.2 years and increases healthcare costs by $3.2 billion annually.

I look forward to providing you with further information on this important issue and welcome any opportunities to participate in the legislative proceedings.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Dr. Peter Staxi, M.P.
Chair, Legislative Committee on Bill C-30

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Caring in a Crisis: The Ethical Obligations of Physicians and Society During a Pandemic

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Population health, health equity, public health

**DOCUMENTS**
ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION

The active transportation strategy, which focuses on improving the accessibility and affordability of active transportation options, can improve the health of Canadians. This strategy includes promoting active transportation as a way to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve public health. It also encourages the development of safe and accessible active transportation infrastructure.

References:

Documents:
- Multi-stakeholder Position Statement: Toward an Environmentally Responsible CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
- https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy9483

Topics:
- Population health
- Health equity
- Public health
Multi-stakeholder Position Statement: Toward an Environmentally Responsible Canadian Health Sector

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CMA’s Presentation to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health: H1N1 Preparedness and Response
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Climate Change and Human Health

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Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
Chronic Diseases Related to Aging: CMA’s Presentation to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10226

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Chronic Diseases Related to Aging

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October 17, 2011

A Healthy Population for a Stronger Economy: The Canadian Medical Association
CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
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A Healthy Population for a Stronger Economy: The Canadian Medical Association’s Presentation to the Standing Committee on Finance’s pre-budget consultations

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10228

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Health systems, system funding and performance
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Presentation to the New Democratic Party on Bill C-38
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Presentation to the NDP Caucus

Dr. John Haggie
President
Canadian Medical Association
Ottawa, ON
May 17, 2012

Climate against austerity

CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
Health equity and the social determinants of health: A role for the medical profession

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10672

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Toward a Dementia Strategy for Canada: CMA Submission to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance
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