Best practices for smartphone and smart-device clinical photo taking and sharing

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13860

POLICY TYPE Policy document
DATE 2018-03-03
TOPICS Health information and e-health
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Canada’s doctors and nurses urgently calling for federal measures to address Canada’s health workforce crisis

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2021-11-09

TOPICS
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Canadian Medical Association input in advance of the World Health Assembly Special Session
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TOPICS
Population health, health equity, public health
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Carter: CMA submission regarding euthanasia and assisted death
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POLICY TYPE
Court submission

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

Documents
Charter of Shared Values: A vision for intra-professionalism for physicians

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REPLACES: CMA Charter for Physicians (Update 1999)
TOPICS: Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

CMA Code of Ethics and Professionalism
CMA CODE OF ETHICS AND PROFESSIONALISM

The CMA Code of Ethics and Professionalism articulates the ethical and professional standards of confluence and responsibilities of the medical profession. The Code serves as a valuable guide for members of the profession in their interactions with patients, colleagues, and society at large. It is intended to provide a framework for ethical decision-making, to promote patient well-being, and to enhance the public confidence in the medical profession.

In the Code, ethical practice is understood as a process of identifying, evaluating, and addressing ethical dilemmas that arise in the practice of medicine. Ethical practice requires the physician to exercise judgment, recognize and act upon the ethical implications of their actions, and to strive for the common good.

The Code is intended to provide guidance to physicians in the performance of their professional duties and responsibilities. It is not intended to be a substitute for legal advice or to define the legal responsibilities of physicians.

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CMA Recommendations on Vaccine Equity and Intellectual Property

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POLICY TYPE
Parliamentary submission

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2022-05-13

TOPICS
Ethics and medical professionalism
Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs
Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
CMA’s formal submission to the Federal External Panel on assisted dying
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy11750

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Parliamentary submission

LAST REVIEWED
2019-03-03

DATE
2015-10-19

TOPICS
Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

October 19, 2015

Dear Member of the Panel,

I am writing to express CMA’s formal submission to the Federal Panel on assisted dying. Our organization advocates for the rights of patients to make decisions about their own care and recognizes the potential for a compassionate and well-regulated process to support those who wish to end their own lives.

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) has a long history of advocating for patient autonomy, ethically grounded decisions, and the importance of ensuring that patients have access to accurate information and support services. In this context, we submit the following points:

1. The CMA supports the ethical principles that guide medical practice, including the right to self-determination, respect for autonomy, and non-maleficence.
2. We urge the panel to consider the potential for a compassionate and well-regulated process that respects patient autonomy while ensuring patient safety and ethical standards.
3. The CMA calls for clear and comprehensive legislation that addresses the ethical, legal, and medical implications of assisted dying, including the necessary safeguards to protect vulnerable populations.

In conclusion, the CMA believes that a compassionate and well-regulated process for assisted dying is possible and can be developed in a manner that respects patient autonomy and ethical principles. We look forward to the panel’s consideration of these points and the development of a legislative framework that reflects these principles.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Canadian Medical Association

CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
CMA Statement on Racism

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy4245

POLICY TYPE  Policy document

DATE  2020-06-02

TOPICS  Ethics and medical professionalism

Health care and patient safety

Documents
CMA Submission to the Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology’s study of Bill C-3, An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Canada Labour Code

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14462

POLICY TYPE: Parliamentary submission
DATE: 2021-12-10
TOPICS: Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
Direct-to-consumer genetic testing
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13696

POLICY TYPE        Policy document
DATE              2017-05-27
TOPICS            Ethics and medical professionalism
EQUITY AND DIVERSITY IN MEDICINE

A PRACTICE

The principles of this policy are a cornerstone of a physician's ethical and professional responsibilities to patients, to society, and to the profession. They provide the foundation for the conduct of all medical practice, and require a physician to:

1. Respect the dignity of all persons
2. Provide care to patients of all ages, races, genders, sexual orientations, cultures, and socio-economic backgrounds
3. Ensure that all patients receive care based on their medical needs and not on their race, gender, sexual orientation, culture, or socio-economic status

This policy applies to all physicians, including those in practice, training, or academic institutions.

BACKGROUND TO CMA POLICY

DEFINITION

The purpose of this Policy is to provide guidance on how physicians can best address equity and diversity in their practice.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1. Respect for patients
2. Respect for colleagues
3. Respect for the community
4. Respect for the environment

CMA STATEMENT ON EQUITY AND DIVERSITY IN MEDICINE

The CMA is committed to ensuring that all patients receive equitable and comprehensive care, regardless of their background or circumstances.

1. All patients have the right to receive care that is respectful, inclusive, and free from discrimination.
2. Physicians should continually assess and improve their own practices to ensure they are providing equitable care.
3. The CMA should support initiatives that promote diversity and equity in the medical profession.
4. The CMA should work with other medical organizations and stakeholders to advance equity and diversity in medicine.

The CMA recognizes that achieving equity and diversity in medicine is an ongoing process that requires commitment and action from all members of the medical community.

CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
The evolving professional relationship between Canadian physicians and our health care system: Where do we stand?

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10389

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LAST REVIEWED: 2019-03-03
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TOPICS: Ethics and medical professionalism

The evolving professional relationship between Canadian physicians and our health care system: Where do we stand?

The document discusses the evolving professional relationship between physicians and the health care system. It addresses the concerns of the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) regarding the role of physicians in the health care system and the ethical and professional standards that should be maintained.

The document highlights the importance of maintaining high standards of medical professionalism and ethics. It emphasizes the need for physicians to be engaged in the health care system in a way that promotes the best interests of patients and the health care system as a whole.

The document also discusses the challenges faced by physicians in the context of the health care system, including issues related to access to care, funding, and the increasing complexity of medical care.

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Federal Monitoring and Reporting Regime for MAID
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy3853

POLICY TYPE Response to consultation
DATE 2017-05-15
TOPICS Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents

CMA Submission
Federal Monitoring and Reporting
Regime for MAID
Submission to Health Canada
May 15, 2017
Federal monitoring of medical assistance in dying regulations
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13856

POLICY TYPE  Response to consultation
DATE  2018-02-13
TOPICS  Ethics and medical professionalism

Documents
FOR ALLIES
Black Physicians of Canada guidance on allyship

WHAT YOU CAN HELP
1. Identify and challenge racism, ableism, genderism, and sexism when you see it;
2. Practice active listening;
3. Be aware of the microaggressions that you hear, see, or experience that could impact the lives of our patients;
4. Educate yourself and others on the issues of race, culture, and ethnic diversity;
5. Promote culturally competent care;
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Framework for Ethical Decision Making During the Coronavirus Pandemic
CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
Framework for Ethical Decision Making During the Coronavirus Pandemic

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14133

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DATE       2020-04-01
TOPICS     Ethics and medical professionalism
Health care and patient safety

Documents
Guidelines for physicians in interactions with industry / Recommendations for physician innovators
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14454

POLICY TYPE
Policy document

DATE
2021-08-21

REPLACES
PD08-01 Guidelines for Physicians in Interactions with Industry

TOPICS
Ethics and medical professionalism
Health Care Coverage for Migrants: An Open Letter to the Canadian Federal Government

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13940

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TOPICS  Population health, health equity, public health
                    Health systems, system funding and performance
                    Ethics and medical professionalism