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CONSULTATION ON THE FEDERAL TOBACCO CONTROL STRATEGY
Public Health
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Re: Consultation on the renewal of Federal Tobacco Control Strategy

On behalf of the Canadian Medical Association (CMA), I am responding to your request for consultation on the renewal of the Tobacco Control Strategy (TCS) and on the establishment of a new federal Tobacco Reduction Strategy (TRS). We are pleased to have the opportunity to respond to your request.

The 2017 Canadian Tobacco Use Monitoring Survey reports that 17.1% of the population aged 15 and older were current smokers in 2016. In addition, about 11% of current smokers were daily smokers, meaning that they smoked on most days of the week. The rate of smoking among daily smokers has not changed much in recent years. In 2016, 8% of daily smokers had quit smoking in the past year, while 40% of daily smokers reported attempting to quit in the past year. We also know that tobacco use among adults continues to be a significant public health issue in Canada. In 2016, 20% of adults reported being exposed to second-hand smoke regularly. We support the Government of Canada’s goal of reducing the proportion of daily smokers to 5% by 2050. We must be committed to taking specific steps to ensure the success of this long-term goal.

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), the tobacco epidemic is the number one environmental health risk and the leading cause of preventable death globally. Tobacco is a significant contributor to cardiovascular disease, respiratory disease, and cancer. Tobacco use and exposure are associated with a variety of health-related outcomes, including reduced quality of life, reduced productivity, and increased healthcare costs. Tobacco use and exposure are also associated with mental health issues, including depression and anxiety. Smoking cessation is an important strategy to reduce the burden of tobacco-related diseases.

As the Government of Canada’s consultation document suggests, a successful smoking cessation strategy must be based on evidence-based approaches. It is important to recognize that tobacco control and cessation strategies need to be implemented in a coordinated manner, taking into account the whole of government and tobacco-free environment. We support the implementation of a comprehensive tobacco control strategy that includes a strong focus on tobacco reduction and cessation.

The CMA believes that policies that encourage tobacco use reduction and cessation should be a priority and should continue to be supported by a sustained, well-funded tobacco strategy and strong leadership and support from Health Canada, including a continuation, comprehensive

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