CMA Code of Ethics and Professionalism

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Code of ethics of the Canadian Medical Association (Update 2004)

Population health, health equity, public health

A. VIRTUES EXEMPLIFIED BY THE ETHICAL PHYSICIAN

Trust is the foundation of medical practice. It is essential to the development of therapeutic relationships and to the provision of care. Physicians have a duty to ensure that their interactions with patients are based on trust and honesty. They must always act in the best interests of their patients, ensuring that their actions are guided by ethical principles and the principles of medical ethics.

Confidentiality

Confidential information is a cornerstone of medical practice. Physicians are bound by law to maintain the confidentiality of information they obtain in the course of their professional duties. They must not disclose confidential information without the patient's consent, except in circumstances where the patient's welfare requires it, or when required by law.

Honesty

Physicians must act with honesty and integrity in their professional relationships. They must not engage in activities that might compromise their professional judgment or the integrity of their patients' care. This includes avoiding conflicts of interest, ensuring that their actions are transparent, and maintaining the highest standards of professional ethics.

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Ensuring equitable access to health care: Strategies for governments, health system planners, and the medical profession

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Documents
Health Care Transformation in Canada: Change that Works, Care that Lasts
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy9837

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Documents
Improving efficiency in the Canadian health care system

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Health systems, system funding and performance

Documents
Joint position statement: Principles to guide health care transformation in Canada
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10218

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PRINCIPLES TO GUIDE HEALTH CARE TRANSFORMATION IN CANADA

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**PRINCIPLES TO GUIDE HEALTH CARE TRANSFORMATION IN CANADA**

**PREAMBLE**

First and foremost, health care transformation is about reorienting the health care system in Canada to better meet the needs of all Canadians. This must mean more than simply supplying more resources to the system. It must be a system transformation. The health care system in Canada must be transformed to ensure it is better aligned with the needs and expectations of all Canadians. The CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association

**PRINCIPLES**

1. **Principle 1: Canada needs a health care system that is financially sustainable.**
   - The health care system in Canada must be transformed to ensure it is better aligned with the needs and expectations of all Canadians.
   - The system must be able to deliver high-quality care for all Canadians, while also being financially sustainable.

2. **Principle 2: Canada needs a health care system that is accessible to all.**
   - The health care system in Canada must be transformed to ensure it is better aligned with the needs and expectations of all Canadians.
   - The system must be able to deliver high-quality care for all Canadians, while also being financially sustainable.

3. **Principle 3: Canada needs a health care system that is responsive to the needs of all Canadians.**
   - The health care system in Canada must be transformed to ensure it is better aligned with the needs and expectations of all Canadians.
   - The system must be able to deliver high-quality care for all Canadians, while also being financially sustainable.

4. **Principle 4: Canada needs a health care system that is accountable.**
   - The health care system in Canada must be transformed to ensure it is better aligned with the needs and expectations of all Canadians.
   - The system must be able to deliver high-quality care for all Canadians, while also being financially sustainable.

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CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
A More Robust Economy through a Healthier Population: Canadian Medical Association 2012–2013 pre-budget submission
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10635

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Parliamentary submission

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2012-11-01

TOPICS
Health systems, system funding and performance

Documents
Advancing Inclusion and quality of life for seniors
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13729

POLICY TYPE  Parliamentary submission
DATE  2017-10-26
TOPICS  Population health, health equity, public health
        Health systems, system funding and performance

Documents
Canada's Food Guide
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13920

POLICY TYPE       Response to consultation
DATE             2018-06-06
TOPICS           Population health, health equity, public health

Documents

CANADA’S FOOD GUIDE
Submission to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Health

CMA submission
Climate Change and Human Health

http://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy9809

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Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
Clinical guideline for homeless and vulnerably housed people, and people with lived homelessness experience

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14165

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

Documents
CMA presentation to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance on Bill C-38
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10441

POLICY TYPE  Parliamentary submission
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TOPICS  Health systems, system funding and performance

Documents
CMA's recommendations for effective poverty reduction strategies
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13582

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TOPICS      Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
CMA’s Submission to Finance Canada’s 2012 Pre-budget Consultations
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10350

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Parliamentary submission

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TOPICS
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Documents
Early childhood development

https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy11476

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

The evolving professional relationship between Canadian physicians and our Health Care System: Where do we stand?

Outline

The policy discusses the current state of the professional relationship between Canadian physicians and our Health Care System, and the issues that have emerged, along with the need to address them.

The recent changes in the Health Care System, such as the implementation of the new Health Care System Act, have led to significant changes in the role of Canadian physicians.

The new Health Care System Act is focused on improving the quality of care and ensuring that patients receive the best possible care.

The policy outlines the need for Canadian physicians to participate actively in the transformation of the Health Care System, and to be involved in its development and implementation.

The policy also highlights the importance of ethical and professional standards in the delivery of care, and the need for ongoing education and training.

The policy recommends that Canadian physicians participate actively in the development of new policies and programs that will improve the Health Care System.

The policy concludes by emphasizing the importance of a collaborative approach between Canadian physicians and the Health Care System, and the need for ongoing dialogue and engagement.

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CMA Policybase - Canadian Medical Association
Health and health care for an aging population
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         Health systems, system funding and performance

Documents

Health and Health Care for an Aging Population
Policy Summary of
The Canadian Medical Association
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Health Canada consultation on Canadian drugs and substances strategy
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14017

POLICY TYPE
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TOPICS
Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs
Population health, health equity, public health

Documents
Health equity and the social determinants of health: A role for the medical profession
https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10672

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TOPICS
Population health, health equity, public health

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