Consultation on proposed front-of-package labelling
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Health care and patient safety
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Dear Mr. Kemp:

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) appreciates the opportunity to participate in the consultation on the proposed front-of-package labelling of cannabis products. CMA undertakes this consultation in the context of the庞大 and comprehensive code of ethics and professional standards that guide our profession. CMA recognizes that health care professionals are often in a unique position to provide information and guidance to the public. In this consultation, CMA has reviewed the proposed plain package labelling and has considered the implications for health care professionals, patients, and the public.

CMA supports plain packaging as a tool to improve the health and well-being of Canadians. Plain packaging has been shown to reduce the appeal of tobacco products and has been associated with reduced smoking rates. CMA believes that plain packaging can also play a role in reducing the attractiveness of cannabis products, especially for young people and vulnerable populations. However, CMA also recognizes the importance of ensuring that health care professionals have access to accurate and up-to-date information about cannabis products and the potential health effects associated with their use.

CMA recommends that the proposed plain packaging requirements be accompanied by ongoing education and support for health care professionals. This will help ensure that health care professionals have the knowledge and resources needed to provide appropriate guidance to patients and the public. CMA also supports the development of guidelines and resources that can assist health care professionals in addressing questions and concerns related to cannabis products.

CMA welcomes the opportunity to provide input on the proposed plain package labelling requirements and looks forward to working with all stakeholders to develop evidence-based policies that promote the health and well-being of Canadians.

Sincerely,

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