CMA Code of Ethics and Professionalism

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

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Population health, health equity, public health
A. VIRTUEs EXEMPLIFIED BY THE ETHICAL PHYSICIAN

- Compassion: A physician’s compassion engenders confidence in his ability to understand the unique aspects of each patient’s situation, to direct diagnosis and treatment, and to convey hope and comfort to his patients.

- Honesty: A doctor’s honesty is the truth. It must be clear, sound, and accurate. The physician is an honest person and is responsible for his personal conduct.

- Integrity: A physician should have integrity. This is characterized by the facts that he is a physician by legal and ethical standards and that he is a physician by personal and professional standards.

- Probity: A physician should have probity. This means he is an honest, upright, and trustworthy person who is always true to his duty and to his profession.