Global vaccine equity

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Policy position recommendation:
1. Canada should not take a wait-and-see approach to vaccine allocation. The healthcare sector, including the public health system, needs to be ready to take delivery of vaccines as soon as they become available.
2. Canada should be cautious in the way it administers COVID-19 vaccines to ensure that it is in line with WHO guidance and that the administration of vaccines is equitable.
3. Canada should be transparent about its strategies for vaccine distribution and ensure that all Canadians have access to vaccine.

Background:
Recent advances have made it possible to develop effective vaccines against COVID-19. However, the global distribution of these vaccines has been uneven, with high-income countries securing a disproportionately large share of the vaccines.

In Canada, the government has taken steps to ensure that vaccines are distributed equitably. The Public Health Agency of Canada has developed a national vaccine distribution plan that outlines how vaccines will be allocated to provinces and territories.

Conclusion:
Canada should continue to work towards equitable vaccine distribution and ensure that all citizens have access to vaccines. This includes maintaining transparency and accountability in vaccine distribution and adapting strategies as necessary to address emerging challenges.