COVID-19 Vaccine Global Intellectual Property Policy

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Policy positions recommendation

1. The CMA recommends that governments of nations participate in the global dialogue calling for a fair, equitable, affordable and transparent allocation of COVID-19 vaccines. This includes participating in the COVAX initiative, which facilitates access to vaccines for low and middle income countries.

2. The CMA recommends that governments support a temporary, unconditional, licence waiver of all intellectual property rights under the World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) to allow for the manufacture and distribution of COVID-19 vaccines on a global scale.

3. The CMA recommends that governments support the development and dissemination of open-source, globally available COVID-19 vaccines.

4. The CMA recommends that governments support the establishment of a system for equitable allocation and distribution of COVID-19 vaccines among nations.

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