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RURAL AND REMOTE PRACTICE ISSUES

The Canadian Medical Association (CMA) believes that all Canadians should have access to medical care. This principle is enshrined in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Canadian Medical Council’s Declaration on Indigenous Peoples’ Health. The CMA has a clear policy on rural health issues, which include access to healthcare services, health workforce issues, and the promotion of indigenous health. This policy is based on the principles of self-determination, community control, and health equity.

In rural and remote areas, healthcare services are often limited, and access to medical care is a significant challenge. Medical students and physicians are encouraged to consider rural and remote areas as potential career options through the provision of educational programs, financial support, and mentorship opportunities. The CMA supports the development of rural health initiatives and initiatives to attract and retain physicians in rural and remote areas.

The CMA advocates for policies that address the needs of rural and remote communities, including the provision of healthcare services, the training of healthcare professionals, and the support of community-led initiatives. The CMA also encourages the development of rural health research and the dissemination of best practices in rural and remote healthcare.

In summary, the CMA believes that all Canadians should have access to medical care, and we support policies and initiatives that address the needs of rural and remote communities. We encourage medical students and physicians to consider rural and remote areas as potential career options and support initiatives to attract and retain physicians in these areas.

Rural and remote practice issues are complex and multifaceted, requiring a collaborative approach involving healthcare providers, communities, and government agencies. The CMA will continue to advocate for policies that address the needs of rural and remote communities and support initiatives that improve access to healthcare services.

References


