Climate Change and Human Health

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Background

Climate change is a complex and multi-dimensional problem that affects multiple sectors of society. It is caused by human activities, primarily burning fossil fuels, which release greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. The consequences of climate change are felt around the world, with implications for human health.

Aims

The goal of this policy is to promote health and well-being in the face of climate change.

Strategies

1. Support research to better understand the health impacts of climate change
2. Promote policies that reduce greenhouse gas emissions
3. Develop public health strategies to address the health impacts of climate change
4. Encourage communities to adapt to the impacts of climate change

Conclusion

Climate change is a serious threat to human health. It requires a multi-sectoral approach to address the complex array of issues it presents.

Keywords

Climate change, health impacts, public health

Policy Development

The Policy was developed by the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) and was last reviewed in 2018. It is based on current scientific evidence and expert opinion.

The policy calls for more research into the health impacts of climate change, the development of policies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and the implementation of public health strategies to address these impacts.

The policy also encourages communities to adapt to the impacts of climate change, recognizing that adaptation can be an effective way to protect public health.

This policy was developed in consultation with a range of stakeholders, including the medical community, government officials, and environmental organizations.

References


The CMA Policy on Climate Change and Human Health is a clear and comprehensive guide to understanding and addressing the health impacts of climate change. It provides a valuable framework for policymakers, health professionals, and community leaders to work towards a healthier future for all.

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