

# Amendments to PIPEDA, Bill S-4

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POLICY TYPE Parliamentary submission

DATE 2014-06-09

TOPICS Health information and e-health  
Ethics and medical professionalism

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# Best practices for smartphone and smart-device clinical photo taking and sharing

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TOPICS	Health information and e-health Ethics and medical professionalism

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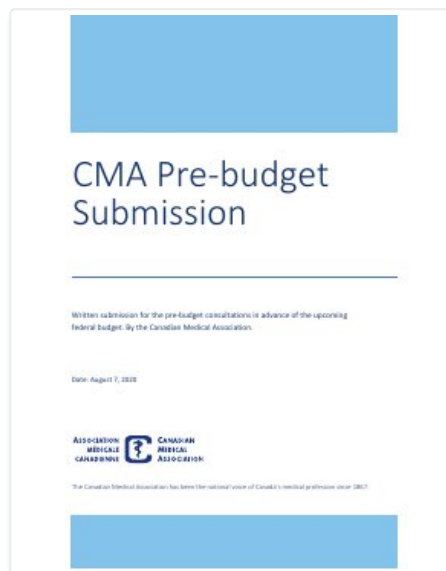


# CMA Pre-budget Submission

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14259>

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TOPICS	Physician practice, compensation, forms Health information and e-health Health care and patient safety Health systems, system funding and performance

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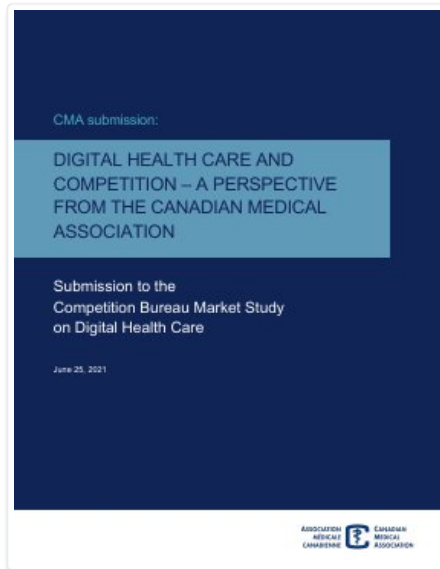
# Digital Health Care and Competition – a perspective from The Canadian Medical Association

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14444>

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TOPICS Health information and e-health

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# Enhancing equitable access to virtual care in Canada: Principle-based recommendations for equity

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14447>

POLICY TYPE	Policy endorsement
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TOPICS	Population health, health equity, public health Health information and e-health

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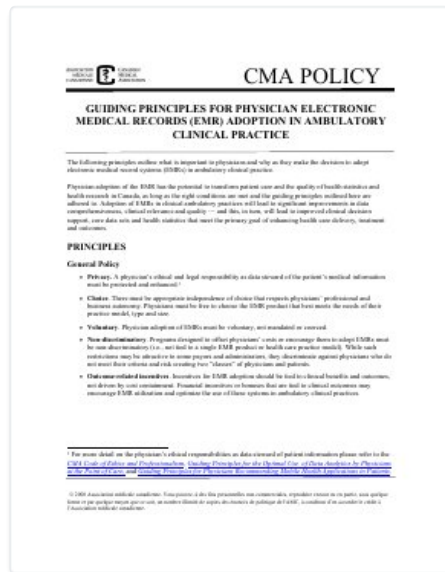


# Guiding Principles for Physician Electronic Medical Records (EMR) Adoption in Ambulatory Clinical Practice

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy9117>

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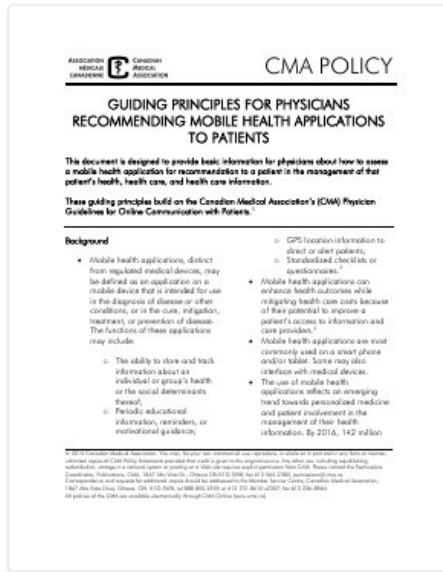


# Guiding principles for physicians recommending mobile health applications to patients

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy11521>

POLICY TYPE	Policy document
DATE	2015-05-30
TOPICS	Health information and e-health Physician practice, compensation, forms

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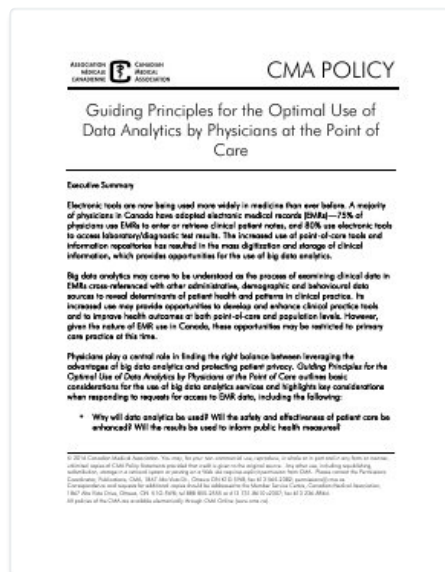
# Guiding principles for the optimal use of data analytics by physicians at the point of care

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy11812>

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LAST REVIEWED	2020-02-29
DATE	2016-02-27
TOPICS	Health information and e-health

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## Listening to our Patient's Concerns : Comments on Bill C 54 (Personal Information Protection and Electronic Document Act) : Submission to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Industry

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy1980>

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TOPICS	Health care and patient safety Health information and e-health Ethics and medical professionalism

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## “Listening to our Patient’s Concerns”

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### Submission to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Industry

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#### Executive Summary

Over the last year, CMA has become increasingly concerned that debate on the issues concerning health information have been flawed in terms of access to information with an attendant erosion of privacy and confidentiality. The one-sided approach comes at a time of expansion in our capacity to collect, store, merge, transfer and access information, coupled with trends both in the health care sector and generally related to the use of information. To address these concerns and to ensure that privacy and confidentiality in the medical context are valued, protected and preserved, CMA developed and adopted a Health Information Privacy Code. This Code should form the basis of all legislation governing the collection, use and disclosure of health information.

Health information is special by its nature. Rules relating to health information must be developed in recognition of its special nature. Ensuring protection of privacy and confidentiality of the patient must take precedence over other considerations. Bill C-54 fails to do this. Bill C-54 is written from the perspective of encouraging commerce. It appears to have access to information as its dominant value. CMA considers the world of health care to be very different from that of commerce and consequently requiring distinct rules.

Health information use must, in all but exceptional and justifiable circumstances, occur only under the strict control of the patient. The patient must be able to exercise control through voluntary, informed consent. Bill C-54 permits the collection, use and disclosure of information without knowledge or consent on grounds such as expediency, necessity, public good, research, offence investigation, historic importance and artistic purpose. The evident lack of protection accorded health information based on such grounds, is unacceptable. The absence of protection undermines the integrity of the patient-physician relationship and has the potential to erode the trust patients have in their physicians - a trust that is essential to patients' willingness to provide the complete information needed to provide them with care. Moreover, distinctions must be made between a patient's right to know what use or reuse happens to health information and the right to consent to such use.

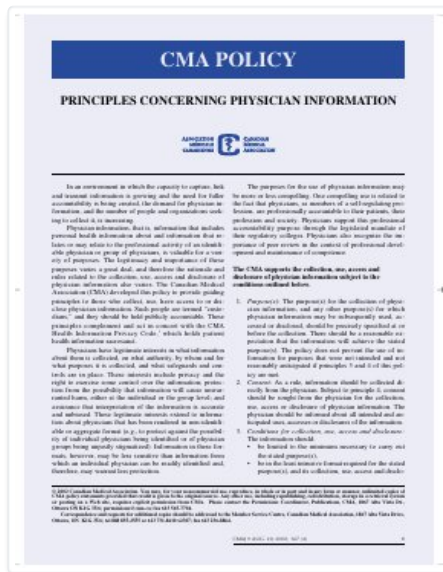
Not all purposes for the collection and use of health information are equal. Collection and use beyond the therapeutic context should be subjected to rigorous scrutiny before they are permitted to occur. Bill C-54 fails to make such a distinction and treats all purposes that could be identified for information collection or use as equal. Moreover,

# Principles concerning physician information

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy208>

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TOPICS	Health information and e-health Ethics and medical professionalism

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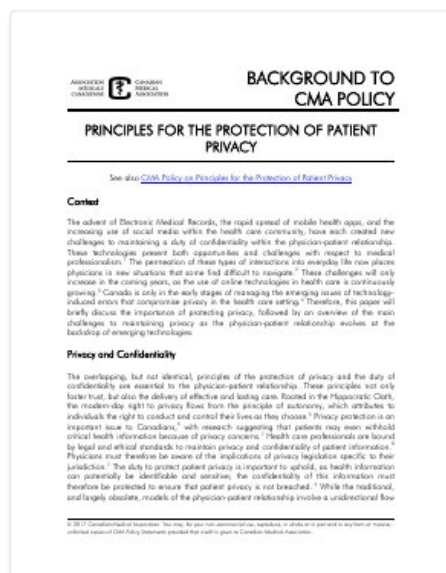
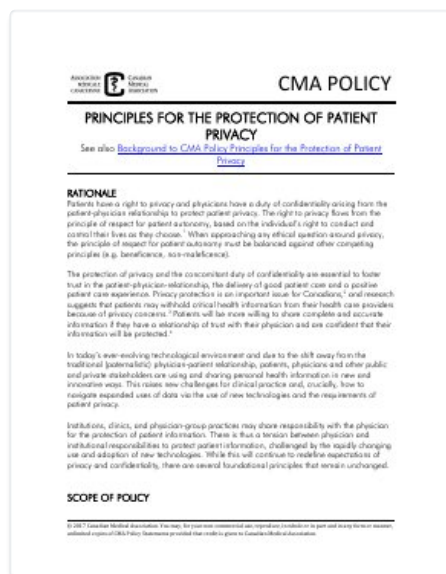


# Principles for the protection of patient privacy

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13833>

POLICY TYPE	Policy document
DATE	2017-12-09
REPLACES	PD11-03 Principles for the Protection of Patients' Personal Health Information
TOPICS	Health information and e-health Ethics and medical professionalism

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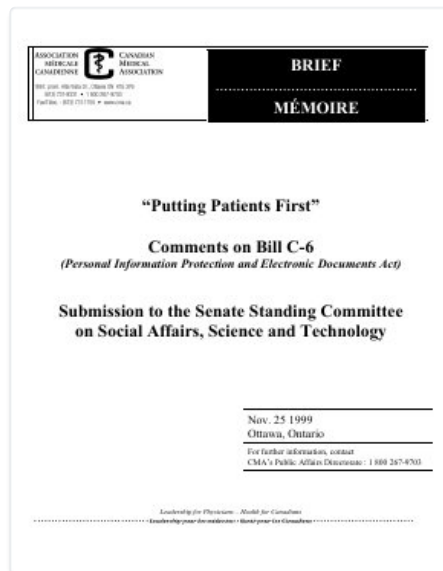


# Putting Patients First : Comments on Bill C 6 (Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act) : Submission to the Senate Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy1979>

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TOPICS	Ethics and medical professionalism Health care and patient safety Health information and e-health

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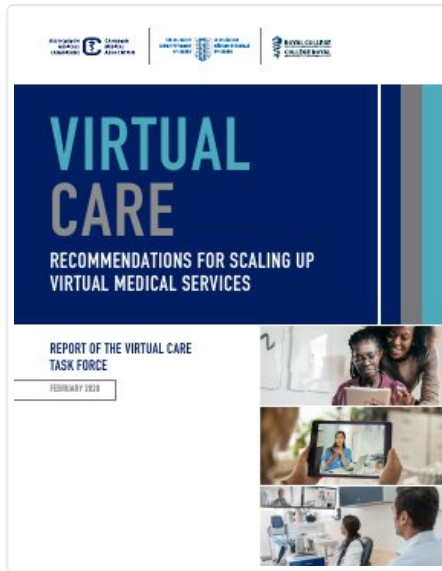
# Report of the Virtual Care Task Force

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TOPICS Health information and e-health

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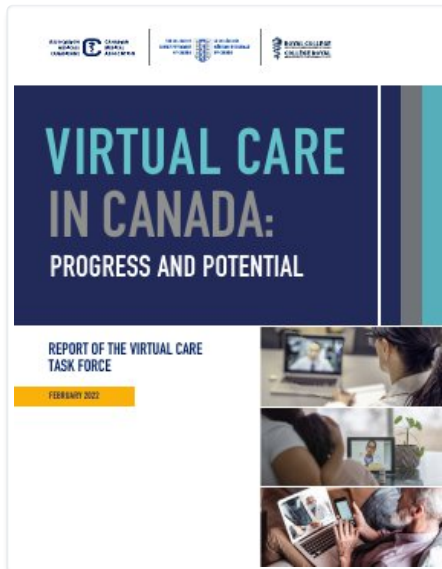
# Virtual Care in Canada: progress and potential. Report of the Virtual Care Task Force

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy14470>

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# Vision for e-Prescribing: a joint statement by the Canadian Medical Association and the Canadian Pharmacists Association

<https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy10670>

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TOPICS	Health information and e-health Pharmaceuticals, prescribing, cannabis, drugs

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