Opioid crisis: How the CMPA supports Canadian physicians

The CMPA supports physicians by providing a continuum of evidence-based medical-legal advice and education. By empowering physicians to practise confidently and to provide safe care, the CMPA plays an important role in ensuring a safe and sustainable healthcare system for Canadians.

What can physicians do?
1. Implement safe prescribing practices
2. Communicate effectively with patients
3. Call CMPA for advice

The CMPA...

• Delivered 15 in-person education sessions on medication safety and use of opioids, reaching > 1000 practitioners in 2017.

• Published 7 articles on opioid safety and safe prescribing, attracting > 9000 views.

• Continued to collaborate with organizations across Canada to promote system-level change and appropriate prescribing practices.

• Provided real-time support to physicians when questions arose in their practice. From May - August 2017, the CMPA responded to approximately 250 calls for advice about opioid prescribing.

The CMPA is proud to be among the many organizations across Canada working to address the opioid crisis through the Joint Statement of Action.

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