

Resolution: Adoption of the position paper, “Abortion Training in Canadian Medical Education”

Whereas the Canadian Federation of Medical Students (CFMS) believes that “all women, regardless of age, religion, SES or marital status have the right to obtain a legal, safe and voluntary abortion”.

Whereas despite medical student support for abortion care, students are less comfortable providing abortion in future private practice.

Whereas when provided with clinical experience and adequate training, students and practitioners feel more comfortable in providing or referring to abortion services

Whereas current training regarding abortion care in Canadian Undergraduate Medical Education is inconsistent and insufficient among institutions.

Be it resolved that the CFMS adopt the position paper, “Abortion Training in Canadian Medical Education”.

Be it further resolved that the CFMS support the recommendations laid out in the position, “Abortion Training in Canadian Medical Education”.

Financial cost:

There is no associated financial cost to the adoption of the position paper, “Abortion Training in Canadian Medical Education”.

Source of funding:

Not applicable at this time.

Level of Effort of Volunteers/Staff:

The level of effort on behalf of the CFMS and its representatives will involve future advocacy efforts to support the recommendations laid out in the position paper, “Abortion Training in Canadian Medical Education”.

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