



Senate Submission on Health Accord

In November 2011, the CDPA worked closely with our partner, the March of Dimes, to prepare a submission to the Senate Standing Committee reviewing the 2003 First Minister's Accord on Health Care Renewal. Based on the research conducted by the Health Services Team, we made 5 recommendations aimed at enhancing access to primary care for people with disabilities:

- That physicians' private offices be held to public sector accessibility standards;
- That medical practices be prevented from excluding patients with disabilities;
- That incentives be created in the compensation system for physicians to encourage necessary extra services to people with disabilities, including administrative services;
- That provinces be encouraged to adopt multi-disciplinary models of primary care;
- That accountability measures be built into the Health Transfer agreement to ensure adequate service to people with disabilities.

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