

CMA Physician Workforce Survey, 2019. National Results by FP/GP or Other Specialist, Gender, Age, and Province/Territory

Q16. Please indicate which of the following electronic tools you use in the care of your patients.

		FP/GP or other specialist		Gender				Age group						
		FP/GP	Other specialist	Female	Male	Non-binary	I prefer not to specify	<35	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	NR	All Physicians
Electronic tools used	Reminders for patient care	57.3%	23.7%	44.6%	39.3%	**	34.0%	52.1%	46.0%	41.7%	39.7%	32.9%	34.1%	41.6%
	Ordering lab tests	74.0%	49.2%	64.2%	61.2%	**	55.3%	70.9%	63.8%	63.2%	62.4%	55.7%	55.5%	62.5%
	Ordering diagnostic tests	73.2%	50.1%	63.4%	61.8%	**	57.4%	71.4%	63.3%	63.2%	62.8%	55.2%	56.7%	62.5%
	Receipt of hospital visit and discharge information	72.4%	48.1%	63.2%	59.4%	**	55.3%	67.0%	61.9%	61.1%	61.0%	58.7%	48.2%	61.1%
	Clinical decision support tool	53.7%	24.8%	40.3%	40.2%	**	42.6%	51.4%	39.4%	41.4%	40.0%	34.9%	34.8%	40.3%
	Access to list of medications taken by a patient	83.8%	58.8%	73.9%	70.8%	**	72.3%	77.7%	72.9%	74.6%	71.6%	66.0%	65.9%	72.2%
	Warnings for drug interactions	66.3%	33.2%	53.9%	48.4%	**	55.3%	58.4%	50.7%	52.5%	49.6%	48.0%	42.7%	50.9%
	Interface to pharmacy/pharmacist	22.2%	13.4%	17.3%	18.8%	**	21.3%	15.2%	15.5%	19.1%	19.2%	21.6%	13.4%	18.1%
	Access to lab test/diagnostic results	89.6%	82.9%	88.1%	85.3%	**	70.2%	90.7%	88.7%	89.7%	85.8%	77.8%	78.0%	86.5%
	Referral to other physicians	69.0%	38.3%	57.5%	52.5%	**	51.1%	67.3%	56.7%	55.5%	51.2%	50.1%	48.8%	54.7%
	Secure transfer of patient information	37.9%	34.6%	35.6%	36.9%	**	44.7%	39.6%	34.4%	35.8%	36.8%	39.0%	29.9%	36.4%
	Access to provincial/territorial patient information systems	49.7%	50.0%	46.9%	52.3%	**	51.1%	57.0%	52.5%	53.2%	49.2%	38.9%	38.4%	49.9%
	Interface to non-doctor health professionals	17.7%	11.2%	14.8%	14.4%	**	19.1%	19.3%	15.3%	14.1%	13.0%	15.0%	12.8%	14.7%
	An Artificial Intelligence (AI)	1.4%	1.2%	0.7%	1.8%	**	2.1%	0.2%	1.4%	1.5%	1.2%	1.7%	1.2%	1.3%
	None of the above	3.1%	5.6%	3.6%	4.7%	**	10.6%	2.1%	2.4%	2.1%	5.4%	8.8%	11.0%	4.3%
NR	0.2%	0.5%	0.3%	0.3%	**	2.1%	0.4%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.5%	1.2%	0.3%	
Total	n	3515	3061	2983	3533	13	47	560	1603	1569	1712	968	164	6576

Notes:

Includes only those who provide patient care.

Excludes those who abandoned prior to this question.

Column totals may exceed 100% as this question allowed for multiple responses.

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**Responses suppressed when column 'n' is less than 30.

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		Province or territory											
		BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	Terr.	Canada
Electronic tools used	Reminders for patient care	49.0%	46.5%	47.4%	41.1%	43.6%	17.6%	24.5%	38.1%	7.5%	17.6%	50.0%	41.6%
	Ordering lab tests	66.7%	68.2%	62.9%	68.9%	66.0%	33.9%	43.4%	57.5%	65.0%	41.6%	75.0%	62.5%
	Ordering diagnostic tests	67.1%	68.9%	61.7%	67.4%	65.9%	34.3%	42.0%	58.2%	62.5%	40.8%	75.0%	62.5%
	Receipt of hospital visit and discharge information	69.9%	63.6%	64.5%	61.3%	66.2%	29.4%	28.8%	58.2%	52.5%	43.2%	60.4%	61.1%
	Clinical decision support tool	41.0%	39.4%	41.4%	37.2%	42.2%	38.8%	39.2%	34.0%	37.5%	34.4%	39.6%	40.3%
	Access to list of medications taken by a patient	73.4%	82.6%	76.9%	75.2%	65.0%	77.7%	59.9%	65.3%	70.0%	81.6%	79.2%	72.2%
	Warnings for drug interactions	47.3%	48.8%	47.0%	48.0%	59.7%	41.9%	39.6%	43.3%	52.5%	48.8%	29.2%	50.9%
	Interface to pharmacy/pharmacist	11.6%	16.8%	25.2%	22.7%	22.0%	12.9%	10.8%	20.9%	35.0%	24.8%	12.5%	18.1%
	Access to lab test/diagnostic results	87.6%	89.5%	87.5%	85.8%	84.3%	88.3%	80.2%	85.8%	80.0%	92.0%	87.5%	86.5%
	Referral to other physicians	63.4%	56.1%	59.2%	64.4%	57.1%	26.1%	36.3%	48.5%	30.0%	36.8%	75.0%	54.7%
	Secure transfer of patient information	38.4%	39.4%	43.9%	36.0%	40.3%	16.5%	13.7%	34.0%	32.5%	26.4%	39.6%	36.4%
	Access to provincial/territorial patient information systems	41.3%	72.4%	69.2%	59.2%	39.9%	43.8%	53.8%	44.8%	42.5%	63.2%	58.3%	49.9%
	Interface to non-doctor health professionals	10.8%	14.7%	20.2%	18.7%	17.3%	10.2%	9.9%	11.2%	15.0%	12.0%	27.1%	14.7%
	An Artificial Intelligence (AI)	1.2%	1.2%	1.6%	0.3%	1.4%	1.9%	1.9%	0.4%	0.0%	3.2%	0.0%	1.3%
	None of the above	2.8%	2.6%	4.7%	5.1%	5.4%	4.4%	7.1%	4.1%	10.0%	4.0%	2.1%	4.3%
NR	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.6%	0.3%	0.6%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	1.6%	0.0%	0.3%	
Total	n	1299	1158	321	331	2246	528	212	268	40	125	48	6576

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Source: CMA Physician Workforce Survey 2019, CanadianMedicalAssociation.