

**Motion to Establish a Position on the current state of homelessness in Canada, through medical school curriculum overview and analysis of ground level experiences.**

**Whereas** 1.7 million people in Canada are in housing need;

**Whereas** more families, women, and youth are experiencing homelessness than in the past, and this poses direct threat to the health of our population;

**Whereas** the Government of Canada has begun to target efforts towards a federal homelessness housing strategy that will prioritize the most vulnerable Canadians, including those fleeing from violence, veterans, Indigenous peoples, seniors, and those dealing with mental health and addiction issues;

**Whereas** there are significant obstacles to health access, that must be appropriately addressed in a medical curricula and student advocacy;

**Whereas** medical students across Canada have initiated local advocacy efforts to improve healthcare in homeless populations;

**BIRT** the CFMS establish a task force, consisting of CFMS members-at-large, officers, and executive members, to extensively research this topic and develop an appropriate position on behalf of Canadian medical students.

**Financial cost (estimate):** \$0

**Source of funding/Line item:** N/A

**Level of effort of volunteers/staff:** 50h. This national task force will begin by confirming on a proposed timeline, under Governmental Affairs portfolio and Committee of Health Policy. This timeline will be reviewed by CFMS Executive.

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