Health Services in Canada: National Coordination & Funding Mechanisms

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PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH SERVICES

- Hospital services
- Physician services
- Public health services
 - health inspections
 - childhood vaccinations
 - disease control
 - health promotion
 - public health nursing
 - children's screening programs

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH SERVICES

- mental health & addiction services
- specialized rehabilitation services
 - speech & language pathology services
 - physical & occupational therapy services
- home care services
- residential long-term care services
- prescription drug services
- ambulance services

PRINCIPLES OF THE CANADA HEALTH ACT

- •Universality
- Comprehensiveness
- Portability
- Accessibility
- Public administration

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION MECHANISMS

Processes

- Conferences of national/provincial/ territorial health ministers
- Conferences of national/provincial/ territorial deputy ministers of health
- National/provincial/territorial standing policy advisory committees
- Periodic meetings of senior national/ provincial/territorial program managers

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION MECHANISMS

Organizations

- Health Council of Canada
- Canadian Blood Services
- Canadian Institute for Health Information
- Canadian Centre on Health Technology Assessment
- Canadian Institutes of Health Research