Family practices should strive to meet the needs of patients, families, and communities.

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THE PATIENT'S MEDICAL HOME (PMH) IS THE VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF FAMILY PRACTICE IN CANADA

A FAMILIAR PLACE THAT MEETS ALL OF YOUR HEALTH CARE NEEDS

The PMH vision ensures that patients and their loved ones are active participants in the shared decision-making process about the care they receive. Ask your family doctor if their practice is a PMH.



LE COLLÈGE DES MÉDECINS DE FAMILLE DU CANADA



PRINCIPLES OF THE NEW VISION

PMHs are defined by how they provide care:

- A dedicated team of professionals who know your history
- Multiple ways of accessing care
- Convenient connections to other health care settings across the system and in the community
- Opportunities for patients to provide input on the development and functioning of the practice





A VISION THAT WORKS FOR YOU

The benefits of the PMH vision to patients are well researched and documented:

- You will have better access to care and appointments
- You are more likely to be satisfied with the care that you receive
- You will receive more preventive care and better treatment follow-up
- You are less likely to need to visit the ER for non-emergent care

A VISION THAT SUPPORTS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

Ask your care provider if they are aligned with the principles of the PMH:

- Will I have access to advice and care outside of regular business hours?
- Will your practice help connect me to relevant health and social services?
- Will my feedback be used to inform the development of your practice?



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