

Canadian Healthcare Association – Party Platform Comparison Chart – Election 2011

	<b>FUNDING FOR HEALTH SYSTEM (INCLUDING GST)</b>	<b>HEALTH PROMOTION</b>	<b>PHARMA STRATEGY</b>	<b>HEALTH HUMAN RESOURCES</b>	<b>CONTINUING CARE</b>
<b>BLOQ QUEBECOIS</b> <a href="http://www.blocquebecois.ca">www.blocquebecois.ca</a>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Strengthen Old Age Security</li> <li>● Affordable Housing</li> <li>● Address climate change</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Expand R&amp;D program for pharmaceutical sector</li> </ul>		
<b>CONSERVATIVE PARTY OF CANADA</b> <a href="http://www.conservative.ca">www.conservative.ca</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Continue funding commitments to 2014</li> <li>● Beyond 2014 continue to work with p/t govts on wait times (no funds allocated in platform)</li> <li>● Enhance p/t accountability for spending</li> <li>● Respect p/t jurisdiction on health</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● \$500 Fitness Tax Credit for</li> <li>● Double the existing Children's Fitness Tax Credit</li> <li>● Healthy weights initiative with new physical activity standards</li> <li>● Renewed cancer strategy</li> <li>● Simplified food labelling</li> <li>● Increase enforcement of food quality regulations</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Tuition forgiveness for new nurses and doctors choosing to work in rural areas</li> <li>● Funding for education placements for med school students in rural areas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Tax credit of \$2000 for family caregivers</li> <li>● Increase OAS</li> </ul>
<b>GREEN PARTY OF CANADA</b> <a href="http://www.greenparty.ca">www.greenparty.ca</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Create centralized wait lists</li> <li>● Increase use of electronic technology to share</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Renew Canadian leadership in health promotion</li> <li>● Institute a GST Health Benefit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Universal pharmacare program wherein no Canadian should</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Increase use of electronic technology to address staffing shortages</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Expand home support and home care programs and assisted-living services</li> </ul>

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	information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fund via provincial health insurance proven alternative therapies</li> </ul>	Reduction for those products/services deemed to have significant health benefit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fund a broad-based national program of active living</li> <li>• Remove from use chemicals known to pose significant risk to human health</li> <li>• National child care program</li> <li>• Climate change program</li> <li>• Tobacco awareness programs</li> <li>• Marijuana-use prevention programs</li> <li>• Increase taxes on products known to be potentially deleterious to health</li> <li>• Ensure clean drinking water for all Canadian communities by 2012</li> <li>• Fund comprehensive</li> </ul>	spend more than 3% of his or her total after tax earnings on necessary prescribed medications and other treatments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A bulk drug purchasing agency</li> <li>• make new drug patent protection times shorter</li> <li>• Public inquiry into costs of pharmaceutical drugs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hire more doctors, nurses, radiologists and other health care providers</li> <li>• Fast-track certification of foreign trained health care professionals</li> <li>• Provide student loan forgiveness incentives for graduating health care professionals who agree to staff rural facilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open more long-term care beds</li> <li>• Enshrine a policy that seniors' care must be provided in the communities where they or their families live</li> <li>• Educate Canadians about end-of-life issues</li> <li>• Increase funding for palliative care hospices</li> <li>• Enact "living-will" legislation</li> </ul>

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<b>LIBERAL PARTY OF CANADA</b> <a href="http://www.liberal.ca">www.liberal.ca</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengthen universally accessible health care for all</li> <li>Energize effort to put quality improvement, best practices and innovation at the forefront of healthcare delivery</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National child care</li> <li>Canadian Health Promotion Strategy</li> <li>Support sport and active living</li> <li>Improve education and promotion of healthy foods.</li> <li>Set national targets for physical activity in primary and secondary schools.</li> <li>Improve food inspection</li> <li>Address climate change</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Drug coverage is priority for 2014</li> <li>A drug plan that covers the cost of prescription drugs for catastrophic illnesses</li> <li>Encourage bulk purchasing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$1,000 a year over four years for college, university or CÉGEP</li> <li>\$100 M to improve and expand language skills training programs</li> <li>New incentive for doctors, nurses, and nurse practitioners to practice in underserved communities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Home care is priority for 2014</li> <li>Canadian Brain Health (Alzheimer's Disease, Multiple Sclerosis, and Parkinson's Disease)</li> <li>Support family caregivers</li> <li>Enhance Canada Pension Plan</li> </ul>
<b>NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF CANADA</b> <a href="http://www.ndp.ca">www.ndp.ca</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Negotiate ten year plan to focus on improved primary care, community-based services and alternative payment (to fee-for-service)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase parental leave</li> <li>National childcare program</li> <li>Subsidize post-secondary tuition</li> <li>Provide more social housing</li> <li>Children's sport injury program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make prescription medicines more affordable via public administration; bulk purchasing; more government funded R &amp; D; enhanced safety &amp;</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investments to hire 1200 doctors, and 6,000 nurses.</li> <li>Increase recruitment of low income, rural and Aboriginal people into health sciences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 month compassionate care benefit</li> <li>Change EI legislation to support family leave related to end-of-life care</li> <li>Provide \$1500 for family</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children’s nutrition program</li> <li>• Climate change program</li> </ul>	effectiveness assessment		caregivers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase pensions</li> <li>• Increase GIS</li> <li>• Federal transfer payment for home care and long-term care</li> </ul>