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[Platform](#) 'Forward. For Everyone' released Sept. 1.

Note: Some of these commitments drawn from Budget 2021.

Election-specific commitments rolling out [here](#).

(Currently un-costed pending PBO review, underway)

- Establish a Canada Mental Health Transfer of \$4.5 billion over five years.
- Invest \$500 million over four years to improve student mental health on campus.
- Fully fund a national, three-digit mental health crisis and suicide prevention hotline.
- Put \$1.4 billion toward co-developing a mental health and wellness strategy with First Nation, Inuit and Métis Nation partners.
- On Aug 29, Trudeau tabled “finish the fight” against COVID-19: a re-elected LPC government would create a \$1B “Proof of Vaccination Fund” to support provinces on a per-capita basis to implement vaccine passports.
- Also on Aug 29, Trudeau announced the government would continue to procure booster shots and “second generation vaccines” investing \$100M to study the long-term impacts of COVID-19. This is in addition to the \$250M already invested in COVID-19 health impact and research measures since the outset of the pandemic.
- While not yet formally positioned as an Election 2021 commitment, LPC has long promised a national pharmacare strategy, and to change pricing methodologies for pharmaceuticals.
- Provide \$3 billion to improve long-term care homes.
- \$597M over three years to support Indigenous-led mental health and wellness services.
- \$50M over two years: Assist trauma and PTSD programs for populations at highest risk of COVID-19 trauma.



- \$100M over three years to PHAC for mental health projects aimed at helping populations most impacted by COVID-19, including frontline workers and racialized Canadians.
- \$250M over three years for expanded clinical research through the Canadian Institutes of Health Research Clinical Trials Fund.
- \$20M over five years to establish a National Institute for Women's Health Research.
- \$15.4M over two years for the creation of a national autism strategy.
- \$20M over three years to stand up 8 plasma collection sites across country.
- Through the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative: \$100 million for improved air quality in schools; \$70 million to not-for-profits, charities and Indigenous communities to improve ventilation
- Requirement for mandatory vaccinations to board a plane, train or cruise ship. "Unless people have a medical exception, they will not be able to board a plane or a train in Canada if they are unvaccinated." – PMJT.
- Training 25,000 new personal support workers at a minimum wage of \$25 per hour.
- Give provinces and territories \$3B to improve the quality and availability of long-term care and bring in the "Safe Long Term Care Act" to ensure national standards.
- 10 days of paid sick leave for workers in federally regulated industries.
- "Immediately invest" \$6B in addition to the \$4B committed in Budget 2021 to strengthen the health care system, eliminate wait lists and expand services. Help hire 7,500 additional family doctors and nurses.



Conservative Party of Canada

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[Platform](#) 'Secure the Future' released Aug. 16.
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- Within 100 days of taking office, a CPC government would meet with Provinces to renew the Canada Health Transfer, raising the annual growth rate to at least 6%, which they describe as a \$60 billion injection into health care over the next 10 years.
- Analysis from the Parliamentary Budget Officer confirms that this would amount only to \$3.6 billion in new spending between now and 2025-26. According to the PBO, there would be no health care funding increase in 2021-22, but extra funding in 2022-23 would amount to \$304 million, rising to \$329 million in 2023-24, \$901 million in 2024-25 and \$2 billion in 2025-26.
- They will also propose that Provinces dedicate a significant part of that money to mental health care.
- Create a tax credit for employers to encourage them to add mental health coverage to their benefits plans.
- Prioritize the signing of contracts for COVID-19 vaccine booster shots to accelerate the development of homegrown vaccines, and to offer logistical support to the provinces to help future vaccine rollouts.
- Regardless of vaccine status, all passengers arriving in Canada will be required to take a COVID-19 rapid test.
- Will make rapid tests easily available to Canadians for at-home use.
- Will close the border to travellers from countries where new COVID-19 variants emerge.
- Work with pharma companies to increase the production of critical medicines and active pharma ingredients in Canada.
- Overhaul the Federal Emergency Response Stockpile system to ensure adequate future reserves of PPE.



- Improve contact tracing at the border.
- Overhaul federal lab testing procedures to improve consistency and scalability of lab testing across Canada.
- Conduct national security assessment before exporting deadly viruses to foreign jurisdictions.
- Restore the Global Public Health Intelligence Network, to help detect and assess threats to public health.
- Overhaul Canada's "Pandemic Plan" so that it covers more diseases than influenza.
- Name a physician with frontline COVID-19 experience to lead PHAC.
- Strengthen Health Canada's review procedures for new innovations like tests, treatments and vaccines.
- Work with Provinces to harmonize ICU training to promote labour mobility during crises.
- Create a national three-digit suicide prevention help line.
- Invest \$150M over three years to create 1,000 residential drug treatment beds and build 50 recovery centres.
- On MAID, restore a 10-day waiting period and a requirement for two independent witnesses.
- Will remove Bill C-7 provisions that allow people whose only medical condition is mental illness to seek access to MAID.
- Will continue to allow supervised safe injection/consumption sites and treat addiction as illness and not a crime (announced in Vancouver).





New Democratic Party

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[Platform](#) 'Ready for Better' released Aug. 19.

(Currently un-costed pending PBO review, underway)

- Implement Universal Pharmacare by 2022: immediately begin working with provinces to deliver a universal, single-payer, public pharmacare program by 2022.
- Includes expanding healthcare to include prescription drug coverage for all Canadians by negotiating prices with pharmaceutical companies.
- Will “work together with any province and territory” that wants to invest in health care.
- Create a \$250M ‘Critical Shortages Fund’ to train 2,000 nurses and health care workers. Ensure that provinces commit funding “specifically for health care workers.”
- Will “tackle homelessness, fight poverty,” and to make sure that everyone in the country has access to healthy, affordable food.

Bloc Quebecois

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Platform '[Quebecois](#)' released Aug. 23

(Currently un-costed pending PBO review, underway)

- Fight for more robust health care transfers to Quebec.
- Re-evaluate the current drug-pricing system to lower the cost of drugs.
- Create a federal tax credit for caregivers.



Green Party

Green Party

Aug 18: released [Vision to Protect and Expand Healthcare](#)
(Currently un-costed pending PBO review, underway)

- Expand public health care to include pharmacare, establishing a Crown corporation to bulk purchase and dispense prescription drugs, and providing coverage to the 1 in 3 Canadians without prescription medicine coverage.
- Include basic dental care in national coverage.
- Extend dental care to low-income children.
- Treat drug addiction as a public health issue, not a felony.
- Fund non-institutionalized, community-based support for substance-abuse prevention and rehabilitation programs.
- Create a national drug reduction strategy and develop more safe injection sites.
- Regulate the distribution of pharmaceuticals prescribed by doctors to track and prevent over-medication and prevent opioid addiction.
- Develop national health care guidelines that incentivize active lifestyles as well as healthy diets and choices.

