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The Canadian Association of Pharmacy Student and Interns (CAPSI) believes that all International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation (IPSF) Member Organizations and their respective members should be more involved in immunization services. We stand in support of the IPSF Declaration on Vaccine Hesitancy and their mission to improve global vaccination rates, advocate for necessary changes to legislative frameworks and allow for pharmacist training and involvement, equitable access and public education. Specifically, we would like to highlight the following action items listed in the declaration:

- Call on national governments and professional societies to create legal frameworks for pharmacists to be authorized to administer immunizations with proper training and certification;
- Emphasize the potential of offering community pharmacy-based immunization services to make a positive impact on vaccination rates due to increased accessibility to vaccinations;
- Urge national governments to ensure equitable access to affordable vaccines that are safe, effective, and of high quality;
- Commit to helping debunk myths and misinformation on the safety and efficacy of vaccines through the conduct of various campaigns in our local communities and through social media.

These action items are of particular interest to CAPSI as they encompass the five pillars of academics, advocacy, professionalism, unity and excellence that CAPSI values. CAPSI has created an article to further educate pharmacy students and recent graduates and empower them to advocate for greater pharmacist involvement in vaccination related services. We encourage you to read the declaration as well as CAPSI's article and join CAPSI and IPSF in their efforts to improve health literacy and combat vaccine hesitancy.

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