PA Research Ideas

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Research Topic Ideas for Canadian Physician Assistants! Present your poster at CAPA or publish your PA-related research to jcanpa.ca!

IDEA 1
PA Impact on Health Care
- Decreased wait times
- Increased health care access
- Decreased MD burnout
- Improved Resident Education
- Decreases costs to the health care system

IDEA 2
Quality Improvement
- PAs can look at their current workflow in an everyday patient setting (clinic, inpatient, surgery, etc.), and identify an issue that could be modified to improve patient outcomes, reduce medical errors & complications.

IDEA 3
PA Education
- PA student involvement/perspective in PA education
- Comparing PA education programs
- Evaluating effectiveness of PA curriculum
- Interprofessional Education ... and more!

IDEA 4
Clinical Research
- PAs practice medicine, & clinical research can take many forms: treatment, prevention, diagnostic, screening, quality of life, genetic studies, & epidemiological studies, case studies, etc
- Randomized Control Trial
- Case Control, Cohort, or Cross-Sectional Studies
- Case Study or case series
- Observational Studies - prospective
- Interventional Studies
- Epidemiological Research
- Qualitative vs. Quantitative
- Meta-Analysis
- Perspective/Commentary
- Systematic Review

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