

**New insights into the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on people with persistent pain
Presented by Pain BC and the Association québécoise de la douleur chronique**

Tuesday, November 24th at 12:00-1:00pm PST and 3:00-4:00pm EST

The objective of this webinar is to discuss with you the results of a study carried out across Canada to assess the impact of the first wave of the COVID-19 pandemic on people who live with chronic pain. This study involved an online survey among 3159 Canadians and in-depth interviews with 22 participants of varying ages. In the first part of the webinar, Pr. Anaïs Lacasse will present the results regarding the impact of the pandemic and lockdown measures on the respondent's pharmacological, physical and/or psychological management of chronic pain. Afterwards, Dr. Gabrielle Pagé will discuss the effects of the pandemic on pain severity and psychological distress. Finally, our last speaker, Pr. Lise Dassieu, will present the results of the individual interviews that were designed to get a deeper understanding of the experience of people living with chronic pain in the context of a pandemic and lockdown (access to treatments, negative effects on pain, emotional well-being, and social life). The moderator of this webinar Jennifer Hanson, Director of Education at Pain BC, will then facilitate the question and discussion period during which participants will be invited to share their own experience and comment the implications and recommendations resulting from this study.

Our speakers



Anaïs Lacasse is an associate professor in the Department of Health Sciences at Université en Abitibi-Témiscamingue. She is also the Clinical Affairs Co-Director of the Quebec Pain Research Network.



Gabrielle Pagé is a clinical psychologist at the Alan Edwards Pain Management Unit of the McGill University Health Center. She is also an assistant professor in the Department of Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine at Université de Montreal and researcher at the Research Center of the Centre hospitalier de l'Université de Montréal (CHUM).



Lise Dassieu is a health sociologist and senior postdoctoral researcher at the Research Center of the CHUM and at Université de Montréal (Biomedical Sciences Program).

Our moderator



Jennifer Hanson is the Director of Education at Pain BC and leads the organization's education initiatives and oversees the work to catalyze change and build capacity among patients and providers in BC communities.