



# Preventing persistent pain and intervening early to reduce its impacts

In 2022, we supported several organizations to prevent chronic pain and intervene early to reduce its impacts.

#### **FOSTERING**

patient-centred care through ongoing engagement with people living with pain and clinicians

#### **ADVISING**

BC Children's Hospital in its work to become ChildKind certified, an international pain management designation

#### **DELIVERING**

20+ presentations and learning sessions with 320+ attendees to various organizations

# Improving systems that impact people in pain, communities and societies

#### Improving systems in Canada

- Participated in federal Ministerial roundtables on substance use, mental health and pain in the trades and natural resource industries
- Advised Corrections Canada on pain self-management programs for people with pain who are incarcerated
- Advised on a toolkit to reduce stigma in health care and social service organizations

## Improving systems in BC

- Advised the Provincial Health Services Authority on the creation and launch of the Pain Care BC Health Improvement Network
- Led a review of self-management program curricula used by health care providers
- Developed an online course to help ICBC staff better understand pain and consulted on ICBC materials used with clients in pain
- Developed a community of practice for clinicians to discuss issues they and their clients are facing

# Empowering people who live with pain to enhance well-being

### Pain Support and Wellness Groups

People living with persistent pain meet regularly online to build a community of support

### 1,001 meeting attendances

96% felt supported and safe 90% improved their quality of life

## Coaching for Health

One-to-one support to learn self-management skills, regain function and improve well-being

### 86 clients served over 525 sessions

95% improved self-compassion 89% gained new skills to manage pain

### Pain Support Line

Information and emotional support to empower people living with pain and loved ones to improve well-being and advocate for themselves

## 431 individuals served over 1,853 sessions

82% contacted us more than once

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Self-management program for people with pain who experience marginalization and face barriers to accessing care

## 151 attendees participated in 17 groups

98% felt safe and supported

96% learned new skills and strategies

## Harnessing the dedication of volunteers

**164** Volunteers



**2,512** Volunteer hours

# Educating health care providers to better assess and manage pain

### Pain Foundations

Our online course improves care of people who live with pain by helping primary care and allied health providers build essential knowledge and skills in chronic pain assessment and management.

1,356 registrations

98% of graduates feel more confident talking to patients about pain

99% of graduates better understand team-based care for pain management

#### BC ECHO for Chronic Pain

Our Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes (ECHO) offers free mentorship and education to health professionals with the aim of improving care for people who live with pain, especially those in rural and remote communities.

173 registrants

9 sessions

90% said the program created a safe, supportive place for shared learning

80% said access to ECHO faculty and specialists has been beneficial

#### Governance and financials

#### Financial statements

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