

Arthritis Alliance of Canada: Osteoarthritis (OA) Information Tool for Patients

Last year, the Arthritis Alliance of Canada (AAC) in partnership with the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) and the Centre for Effective Practice (CEP), developed and launched the Osteoarthritis (OA) Tool (available at arthritisalliance.ca/en/osteoarthritis-toolbox) to help family doctors assist patients who have suspected, new or established OA of the hands, knees or hips. Earlier this year, a working group of the AAC, composed of representatives from patient-led or patient-focused organizations and clinical and scientific experts in OA, was formed to develop a patient version of the tool to assist those with or at risk of OA, in having better conversations with their doctor or other health care professional by informing them about the care they can expect to receive.

The working committee conducted a survey among the arthritis consumer community and stakeholders to help inform what key pieces of information from the original OA Tool for family doctors should also be included in the OA Information Tool for Patients. The working team received a strong response, which included 328 English and 94 French responses. The survey results were analyzed and assisted in the development of this valuable resource.

The initial draft of the Tool will be presented to AAC members and the community early 2019. The final product is expected to be launched in March 2019!

Stay tuned!

3rd Annual MSK Ultrasound Guided Cadaver Intervention Course



DATES: March 2 & 3, 2019
LOCATION: Steinberg Centre for Simulation and Interactive Learning
 3575 Parc Ave, Suite 5640
 Montreal, QC H2X 3P9



There is still time to register for and participate in CRUS's upcoming Diagnostic and Interventional MSK Ultrasound Course, which takes place March 2 & 3. All interested participants will receive extensive hands-on supervised instruction, cadaver lab time, and an opportunity to meet directly with the course faculty.

DESCRIPTION:

Focus on relevant sonoanatomy, participants will experience extensive demonstrations & hands-on supervised scanning of common MSK procedures in the shoulder, wrist, hand, hip, ankle and foot. A special feature includes an introduction to ultrasound guided synovial biopsy. Low student to tutor ratio ensures individual attention for advanced skills acquisition.

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REGISTRATION FEE: \$1895 CDN - Discount for CRA members \$1650

Early registration recommended: www.crus-surc.ca/en/courses/

Registration fees include all course material, anatomic specimens, educational credits. Special hotel rates available at:

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EDUCATION CREDITS:

Eligible for Royal College MOC section 1 credits of 3 hrs and section 3 credits of 11 hrs. All credits are eligible for conversion to AMA PRA category 1 credits.