

New Resources for People Living with Arthritis

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In September we shine the spotlight on arthritis for Arthritis Awareness Month.

We launched our fiery new awareness campaign last September and have been working hard over the past 12 months to turn up the heat through all that we do. We recently awarded more than \$1.2M to our inaugural Ignite Innovation Grants, invested in four Arthritis Ideators to help bring their innovations to those who need them most, and launched a new Social Impact program.

And while we've been raising the alarm about the seriousness of arthritis, we've developed new high-impact resources for people living with the disease. This includes our *Your Finances and Arthritis* web pages so that people are armed with important information on topics such as tax credits and benefits.

We've also launched a comprehensive *Pain Management Guide*. Both these resources can be accessed by scanning the respective QR codes to the right.

In addition to regularly adding new resources, we continue to offer our popular monthly Arthritis Talks webinars — which last year reached more than 107,000 people. And we're proud to be supporting a growing number of people through our free Arthritis Line, where people can have their questions answered by phone at 1.800.321.1433 or email at info@arthritis.ca.

Thank you for sharing our resources with your patients and continuing to shine a spotlight on arthritis every day.

Arthritis Pain Management Guide



Your Finances and Arthritis



UCAN CURE: Transforming Care and Optimizing Outcomes of Children Living with Arthritis

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pact of the added value has been multiplied in the current COVID pandemic, which has provided unique opportunities for our technologies and platforms to support virtual care in our rapidly changing healthcare system.

Our national funders, including the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) and Genome Canada, together with the Stop Childhood Arthritis Initiative at The Arthritis Society, and Dutch partners in ZonMw and RheumaNetherlands have been key enablers of our work. The engagement and commitment of all pediatric rheumatology care providers across Canada and the Netherlands to the UCAN mission of real-life integration of innovative precision medicine strategies into care provision are continuing to transform the care of children with arthritis in Canada and around the world.

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