PERSON WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE OF PAIN TRAVEL GRANT
APPLICATION DEADLINE: January 15, 2027

The Canadian Pain Society (CPS) in collaboration with Pain Canada is pleased to announce the availability of a travel grant, to support individuals with lived experience of pain, to attend our upcoming annual scientific meeting in Toronto (April 28-May 1, 2027). These scholarships aim to enhance the diversity of voices at the conference, ensuring that the perspectives of those directly affected by pain are represented and heard.

The CPS meeting is a unique opportunity to engage with leading researchers, clinicians, and advocates in the field of pain. Your voice and experience are invaluable in shaping the future of pain management and policy. We encourage all eligible individuals to apply and look forward to your participation in this important event.

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES
Travel expenses, accommodation, and/or conference registration fees are eligible for reimbursement. You will be asked to indicate what types of expenses and approximate costs you would need covered.

SUBMISSION CRITERIA
- Applicants must have lived/living experience with chronic pain* and demonstrate an interest in contributing to the discussions and activities at the CPS meeting.
- Eligible applicants must register and attend the annual scientific conference as a PWLE as their primary role.
- Individuals who are part of a scientific symposium are not eligible to apply, as travel funds are expected to be covered by the affiliated research grant.

HOW TO APPLY
Interested individuals should submit an application including:
- A brief personal statement (250 words max.) detailing your lived/living experience with chronic pain and explaining why attending the CPS meeting would be important for you.
- Contact information (name, address, email, and phone number).
- Requested expenses for travel (driving mileage, flight, train, bus), registration, hotel.

CLICK HERE to submit your application through our online form prior to January 15, 2027.

Applications will be reviewed and selected based on the strength of the application.

QUESTIONS
Please forward any questions to office@canadianpainsociety.ca. For more information about the Canadian Pain Society and the annual meeting, please visit https://www.canadianpainsociety.ca/

The Canadian Pain Society is strongly committed to diversity within its membership. Diversity strengthens both research and clinical practice in pain. We encourage nominations by and for racialized persons, Black, Indigenous and people of colour, women, 2SLGBTQ+, persons with disabilities, and others who bring diverse perspectives to the field of pain.

**Based on PCORI definition of «patient partners», including people with lived experience of pain, family members, and caregivers. PCORI Engagement Rubric. PCORI (Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute) website. http://www.pcori.org/sites/default/files/Engagement-Rubric.PDF. Published February 4, 2014. Updated October 12, 2015*