



PERSON WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE OF PAIN LEADERSHIP AWARD 2027

APPLICATION DEADLINE: **November 27, 2026**

DESCRIPTION

The **Person with Lived Experience of Pain Leadership Award** recognizes outstanding contributions by People with Lived Experience* to pain research, education, and/or community building, in Canada. The selection will be made by a committee formed by the Canadian Pain Society.

AWARD

The award will consist of:

- Economy travel to the 2027 CPS Annual Scientific Meeting (up to \$1000.00**)
- Ground transfer from airport or train station to conference location (ie. taxi fare, or shuttle bus) and incidentals (up to \$100.00**)
- Up to three (3) nights' accommodation at the designated ASM hotel at the base rate.
- Complimentary registration to the 2027 Annual Scientific Meeting
- Plaque

SUBMISSION CRITERIA

- The Person with Lived Experience of Pain** should have a demonstrated track record of outstanding contributions to pain research, education, and/or community building activities.
- The spirit of the Person with Lived Experience of Pain Leadership Award is to recognize **avocational** pain leadership activities (ie. not part of their primary vocation). Activities described in the nomination letter should clearly indicate how the applicant engages in pain leadership activities distinct from their primary vocation.
- Previous applicants are encouraged to re-apply, providing they meet the above eligibility criteria.

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.

FORMAT

Please use Times New Roman Font, 12pt, with 2cm margins for all documents.

All documents must be combined and uploaded into one PDF file, no larger than 30 MB.

HOW TO APPLY

Submit your application to awards@canadianpainsociety.ca prior to the due date noted above.



All applications, submitted in English or in French, must include:

- The completed submission form
- A letter of nomination signed by at least one CPS Regular Member and at least one representative of a community organization (for example, but not limited to local, provincial, or national organizations or groups providing services and/or education to people in the community) describing the nominee, their contributions and impact on pain research, education, and/or community building, and any relevant past achievements if applicable.

QUESTIONS?

Email the CPS Awards Committee Chair, Nader Ghasemlou at awards@canadianpainsociety.ca

**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