



Centre for  
**Heart Lung Innovation**  
UBC and St. Paul's Hospital

# Knowledge Translation & Mobilization (KTM) Training

Improve your competence in working with diverse stakeholders.

ZOOM Virtual Seminar  
Meeting ID: 678 3718 1912  
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Feb 3 (12 – 1pm)

## Stakeholder Engagement

Maria Hudspith and Linda Wilhelm

### Engagement of People with Lived Experience



Maria Hudspith is the inaugural Executive Director of Pain BC, a collaborative non-government organization working to enhance the well being of people in pain. She brings nearly thirty years of experience in community development, policy advocacy and organizational and systems change.

Maria was the co-chair of the Canadian Pain Task Force, appointed by the federal government to advise on an improved approach to pain in Canada from 2019 to 2021. In this role, she co-authored the National Action Plan for Pain in Canada which is now guiding governments and others in addressing prevention, care, education, research and systems improvement. Maria is a Co-Principal Investigator on the Canadian Institutes of Health Research's (CIHR) Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research Chronic Pain Network and Co-Lead of the Network's patient engagement initiatives.



Linda Wilhelm has been living with Rheumatoid Arthritis for over thirty five years, many of those years unresponsive to the medications used to treat the disease which resulted in significant and irreversible damage to most of the joints in her body. This has left her to manage chronic pain on a daily basis and throughout her recovery

from fourteen major joint reconstructive surgeries. Linda is a founding member of The Canadian Arthritis Patient Alliance, a national, volunteer, patient driven organization that has worked to improve the lives for people living with arthritis since 2002. She is a patient partner on a number of National research networks and was a member representing people with lived experience on The Canadian Pain Taskforce.