Chronic pain affects 50 MILLION U.S. ADULTS and 19.6 MILLION of those adults experience high-impact chronic pain that interferes with daily life or work activities.

**Patients Should Know**

- Pain refers to dozens of potentially complex medical conditions including neurological, musculoskeletal, and inflammatory.
- There are many options for pain treatment that can improve quality of life and functioning.

**Clinicians Should Know**

- More effective education and training about acute and chronic pain should occur at all levels of clinician training.
- The Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes (Project ECHO) is one of many effective models for improving pain care education.

**PolicyMakers Should Know**

- Policy decisions have cascading effects on many aspects of pain management.
- Support for more time for clinicians to consult with patients, coverage of effective treatment modalities, and educational resources is essential.