



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.



**LEARNING** about pain conditions and treatment options is vital to enhancing pain care.



**EDUCATION** helps ensure that expert information informs policy that affects pain care.



## 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.

