



Media Backgrounder
Canadian Menopause Coalition – Member Organizations

The Canadian Menopause Coalition is comprised of the following national health organizations:

Aboriginal Nurses Association of Canada

A.N.A.C. is a non-governmental, non-profit organization that was established out of the recognition that Aboriginal people's health needs can best be met and understood by health professionals of a similar cultural background. An affiliate group of the Canadian Nurses Association, it is the only Aboriginal professional nursing organization in Canada.

<http://www.anac.on.ca>

Canadian Association of Nurses for Women and Newborns

The Canadian Association of Nurses for Women and Newborns is a nonprofit membership organization that promotes the health of women and newborns. CANWN has a mission is to improve and promote the health of women and newborns and to strengthen the nursing profession through the delivery of superior advocacy, research, education and other professional and clinical resources to nurses and other health care professionals.

<http://www.canwn-aicfn.ca>

Canadian Cardiovascular Society

The CCS is the national voice for cardiovascular physicians and scientists. The CCS mission is to promote cardiovascular health and care through:

- knowledge translation, including dissemination of research and encouragement of best practices
- professional development, and leadership in health policy.

<http://www.ccs.ca>

Canadian Foundation for Women's Health

Canada's leading national fundraising foundation for women's health with a focus on reproductive health. The Foundation champions increased funding for research on women's health and support for international women's health programs.

<http://www.cfwh.org>

Canadian Pharmacists Association

The Canadian Pharmacists Association is the national voluntary organization of pharmacists committed to advancing the profession of pharmacy so as to contribute to the health of Canadians. The Association's vision is to establish the pharmacist as the health professional whose practice, based on unique knowledge and skills about drug therapy, ensures optimal patient outcomes. CPhA achieves its vision by serving its members through advocacy, facilitation, provision of knowledge, participation in partnerships, research and innovation, education and health promotion.

<http://www.pharmacists.ca>

Canadian Society of Endocrinology and Metabolism

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The Canadian Society of Endocrinology and Metabolism (CSEM) is a professional organization bringing together clinical endocrinologists, educators and researchers engaged in providing health care, training and research within the broad domain of endocrinology. The CSEM is a national advocate for excellence in endocrinology research, education, and patient care, and its mandate is to advance the discipline of endocrinology and metabolism in Canada.

<http://www.endo-metab.ca/>

College of Family Physicians of Canada

The College of Family Physicians of Canada is a national voluntary organization of family physicians that makes continuing medical education of its members mandatory. The College strives to improve the health of Canadians by promoting high standards of medical education and care in family practice, by contributing to public understanding of healthful living, by supporting ready access to family physician services, and by encouraging research and disseminating knowledge about family medicine.

<http://www.cfpc.ca>

Federation of Medical Women of Canada

The Federation of Medical Women of Canada (FMWC) is a national organization committed to the professional, social and personal advancement of women physicians and to the promotion of the well-being of women both in the medical profession and in society at large.

<http://www.fmwc.ca>

North American Menopause Society

NAMS is the leading nonprofit scientific organization devoted to promoting women's health and quality of life through an understanding of menopause. NAMS provides accurate and unbiased information about menopause, perimenopause, early menopause, menopause symptoms and long-term health effects of estrogen loss, and a wide variety of strategies and therapies to enhance health, including hormone therapy and bioidentical hormones.

<http://www.menopause.org>

Osteoporosis Canada

Osteoporosis Canada educates, empowers and supports individuals and communities in the risk-reduction and treatment of osteoporosis.

<http://www.osteoporosis.ca>

Ovarian Cancer Canada

Ovarian Cancer Canada is a registered Canadian charitable organization whose mission is to overcome ovarian cancer, providing leadership by:

- Supporting women living with the disease and their families
- Raising awareness in the general public and with health care professionals
- Funding research to develop early detection techniques, improved treatment and, ultimately, a cure

<http://www.ovariancanada.org>

SIGMA (Canadian Menopause Society)

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SIGMA is an independent, multidisciplinary group of family physicians and specialists interested in menopausal and postmenopausal health. The SIGMA group has a mission is to advance the health of women at and beyond the menopausal transition and works through a multidisciplinary network of Canadian healthcare professionals dedicated to the care of perimenopausal, menopausal, and aging women. The SIGMA network supports research, education, knowledge translation, and public education in the interests of this group of women.

<http://www.sigmamenopause.com>

Society of Rural Physicians of Canada

The Society of Rural Physicians of Canada (SRPC) is the national voice of Canadian rural physicians. Founded in 1992, the SRPC's mission is to provide leadership for rural physicians and to promote sustainable conditions and equitable health care for rural communities.

SRPC performs a wide variety of functions, such as developing and advocating health delivery mechanisms, supporting rural doctors and communities in crisis, promoting and delivering continuing rural medical education, encouraging and facilitating research into rural health issues, and fostering communication among rural physicians and other groups with an interest in rural health care. The SRPC is a voluntary professional organization with over 3,000 members representing rural physicians across Canada.

<http://www.srpc.ca>

Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada

The SOGC is a national medical society representing over 3,000 obstetricians/gynaecologists, family physicians, nurses, midwives and allied health professionals in the field of sexual reproductive health. Since 1944, the society has promoted excellence in the practice of obstetrics and gynaecology and worked to advance the health of women through leadership, advocacy, collaboration, outreach and education.

<http://www.sogc.org>, www.menopauseandu.ca, [sexualityandu.ca](http://www.sexualityandu.ca)

As observers:

Canadian Association of Naturopathic Doctors

The Canadian Association of Naturopathic Doctors (CAND) is the national association for qualified naturopathic doctors across Canada. The CAND promotes naturopathic medicine to the public, corporations, insurance companies and the federal government and facilitates communication within the naturopathic profession.

<http://www.cand.ca>

Canadian Rheumatology Association

The mission of the Canadian Rheumatology Association is to represent Canadian Rheumatologists and promote their pursuit of excellence in Arthritis Care, Education and Research.

<http://www.rheum.ca/en>

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On behalf of the Coalition, the SOGC's menopause web site at www.menopauseandu.ca will house much of the new information flowing from the research community or from specific health disciplines. The Coalition also has a unique URL as well: canadianmenopausecoalition.ca

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