

What is the Strategy for Patient-Oriented Research?

Patient-oriented research transforms patients and their families from passive recipients of health services



into proactive partners who help shape health research and health care.



To make patient-oriented research a reality, partnerships were formed between:

- Canadian Institutes of Health Research
- Provinces and territories
- Philanthropic organizations
- Academic institutions
- Health charities
- Industry
- Patients
- Clinicians



What does SPOR do?

It funds research in areas of importance to patients.



It creates hubs of expertise in the provinces and territories that unite patients, caregivers, families, policy-makers, and health care providers.

It builds capacity in patient-oriented research and promotes patient engagement.



What will SPOR achieve?

For patients, it means having a say in which health topics are researched.



For researchers, it means benefiting from the perspectives and experiences of patients.



For the health care system, it means having access to the research evidence that decision-makers and health care providers need to improve care.



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