ABOUT OSTEOPOROSIS CANADA

Osteoporosis Canada, a registered charity established in 1982, is the only national organization serving people who have, or are at risk for, osteoporosis.

Osteoporosis Canada was the first organization in the world to focus on bone health and osteoporosis and works with healthcare professionals, government and the public to educate, empower and support people living with osteoporosis.

Fractures from Osteoporosis are MORE COMMON than heart attack, stroke & breast cancer COMBINED
Together, we will help make Canadians #unbreakable.
Welcome to OC’s Scientific Advisory Council (SAC)
SAC Overview

• Review of Terms of Reference
  • SAC Individual
  • SAC Committee Member
• Review of COI
• OC Staff Support
Responsibilities:

- Provide assistance, support, advice and guidance to the Executive Committee of the SAC and Osteoporosis Canada on technical, scientific or medical matters
- Review and validate material prepared for public or professional distribution with respect to scientific/medical content
- When required, actively participate on committees based on availability and expertise
- Respond in a timely manner to requests
- Lend their names and prestige to further the purposes and goals of the Organization.
- Speak on behalf of OC and/or represent OC as requested by the Chair of the SAC and/or President & CEO
- Be regional agents, at the request of the Chair of the SAC and/or Board
- Represent, where appropriate, OC internationally.
- Promote and foster the growth of OC, where appropriate.
- Safeguard and protect the credibility of OC by being consistent with OC messages when acting in the capacity of an SAC consultant
- Maintain membership, in good standing, of OC
- Honour financial obligation to OC as an annual donor
- Provide signed Confidential Disclosure Statement annually
SAC Committees:

- Executive
- Guidelines
- Research
- Development
- Knowledge Translation (KT)
- COPN review committee
- Rapid Response Team
Executive Committee:

- Chair: Dr. Sandra Kim
- Vice Chair: Dr. Rowena Ridout
- Past Chair: Dr. Suzanne Morin
- Members: Aliya Khan, Steven Burrell, Heather McDonald-Blumer, Marie – Claude Beaulieu, Mohit Bhandari, Nese Yuksel, Alexandra Papaioannou, Stephanie Kaiser, Wendy Ward, Ravi Jain

- Shall assume active leadership, in collaboration with SAC consultants, SAC committees where appropriate, the National Board, and the President and CEO (or designated National Office Staff), in its primary role as advisor and guide to OC’s President/CEO on all technical, scientific and/or medical matters.
- Strategic planning and overseeing the work of the committees that direct the activities of the SAC
Guidelines Committee:

- Chair: Heather McDonald-Blumer
- Members: Andy Kin On Wong, Angela Juby, Angela Cheung, Bill Leslie, Lisa Ann Fraser, Lora Giangregorio, Nese Yuksel, Sandra Kim, Sidney Feldman, Suzanne Morin, Sandra Kim, Ravi Jain, Christine Thomas

- Shall assume leadership, in collaboration with the Executive Committee of the SAC, in its primary role as scientific reviewer and advisor and guide to OC on all technical, scientific and/or medical matters.
- Review and endorsement of scientific material, position statements
- Presently supporting the Guidelines Update Steering Committee by developing a formal process for COI management, stakeholder engagement and external peer review with the Clinical Practice Guidelines Update
Research Committee:

- Chair: Wendy Ward
- Members: Angela Juby, Maureen Ashe, Cathy Craven, Christine Thomas (COPN), Jerilynn Prior, Laetitia Michou, Sharon Marr, Suzanne Cadarette, Sandra Kim

- Shall assume primary responsibility for identifying, recommending and funding research opportunities.
- Recommends recipient candidates for the Research and Travel awards offered by Osteoporosis Canada
Development Committee:

- Chair: Alexandra Papaioannou
- Members: Rowena Ridout, Sabrina Gill, Sian Iles, Stephanie Atkinson, Susan Whiting, Sandra Kim

- Shall assume primary responsibility for ongoing cultivation, recruitment and selection of appropriately qualified candidates for the Scientific Advisory Council, its Executive Committee, Guidelines Committee, and Research Committee
KT Core Committee:

- Co-Chairs: Stephanie Kaiser and Prism Schneider
- Members: Aliya Khan, Lynn Nash, Nese Yuksel, Sandra Kim, Ted Tufescu, Monica Menecola, Ravi Jain

KT Subcommittees:

- **GP/Primary-Care Subcommittee:** Co Chairs: Stephanie Kaiser and Nese Yuksel
- **DI Subcommittee:** Chair: Aliya Khan
- **Ortho Subcommittee:** Chair: Ted Tufescu

- To identify strategies for knowledge translation and dissemination of OC guidelines and best practices.
- To identify subcommittees based on the target groups
- Core KT provides direction to the subcommittees and oversee their progress
Together, we will help make Canadians #unbreakable.

COPN Review Committee

- Chair: Rowena Ridout
- Members: Maureen Ashe, Angela Juby

- Provides scientific and education guidance for COPN: Canadian National Osteoporosis Patient Network
The Canadian Osteoporosis Patient Network (COPN) was founded in 2004 by four friends who had osteoporosis, but didn’t know where to turn for help.

It is a patient-led volunteer group that represents the interests of people living with osteoporosis within Osteoporosis Canada’s programs and activities.

COPN provides the patient voice in areas including medical matters, research initiatives, communication, public relations and education.

There are currently almost 10,000 members, that include patients, family members and health care professionals.

Membership is free, sign up is on the OC website.

COPN members receive information via a monthly e-newsletter and online webinars (Bone Matters).
Rapid Response Team:

- Chair: Aliya Khan
- Members: Sandra Kim, Rowena Ridout, Lianne Tile

- Responsible for responding to breaking news releases in the media that may impact perspectives on osteoporosis/bone health care through a rapid response position statement in order to guide health professionals and the public
OC Activities

- Beyond the Break
- Bone Matters
- Bone Fit
- Canadian MSK Conference 2020
- SAC Link
- FLS
- OC Website
- Annual SAC Breakfast at ASBMR
How Can you Get Involved?

Kerry Grady: KGrady@osteoporosis.ca

Questions?
Together, we will help make Canadians unbreakable.

Thank you
Osteoporosis Canada
Osteoporosis.ca
1-800-463-6842