

Employment and Arthritis: Making it Work – Preventing work loss for people with osteoarthritis

PURPOSE OF THIS STUDY:

The aim of this study is to develop an on-line eLearning self-management program to help people with osteoarthritis deal with employment issues and stay employed.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- Be between the ages of 18 and 70 years;
- Been told by a physician that you have osteoarthritis in either the hip, the knee, or your hands;
- Be currently employed OR having stopped working in the past 5 years.

WHAT IS INVOLVED?

This study uses focus groups and individual interviews. A focus group is a meeting with 4-5 other people and a trained facilitator. In the group meeting with other people with osteoarthritis and in the individual meeting, you will explore the challenges of working with osteoarthritis and possible solutions. To participate you will need: a computer, high speed internet, a webcam and headset.

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To learn more about this study, visit vchri.ca/participate

STUDY TIME/DURATION

Recruitment begins
January 1, 2017 until
December 31, 2017

STUDY LOCATION

You can participate from the comfort of your home as we use on-line technology to conduct the meetings and interviews. Only one meeting will be conducted face-to-face with a trained facilitator in Vancouver, BC.

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