



## **WHAT IS** POST COVID-19 CONDITION?

Post COVID-19 Condition, or Long COVID, usually appears within three months from the acute COVID-19 infection and lasts at least two months. Symptoms vary, and can change or worsen over time, and significantly impact daily life, according to the World Health Organization. [1]

Initial SARS-CoV-2 acute infection

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**Symptoms** persist for at

1 Month

least 2 months

## **COMMON SYMPTOMS**



**Fatigue** 



**Shortness of** 



**Brain fog** 



Pain



problems



Postexertional

For more symptoms, see Figure 2, Figure 3 and Figure 4. [3]

## 3.5 million

Adults in Canada have experienced longer term symptoms after a confirmed or suspected COVID-19 infection (As of June 2023).[4]

Almost half of those have experienced symptoms for 1 year or longer. [4]



- Do you have patients who have had acute COVID-19 infection?
- Do they have persistent symptoms?

Visit can-pcc.ca for more information and resources to assist your patients.



Scan the QR code for more details about Post COVID-19 Condition and the CAN-PCC National Guidelines.



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