
AAPM&R'S LONG COVID CALL TO ACTION EFFORTS



In March 2021, we officially called on the Biden Administration and Congress to prepare and implement a comprehensive national plan focused on the needs of millions of individuals suffering from the long-term symptoms of COVID-19, also known as Long COVID or Post-Acute Sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 infection (PASC).

Since then, our efforts have focused on ensuring patients receive the care they need while also communicating the value of PM&R in rehabilitation care aligned with the Academy's mission and vision. Showcasing PM&R's medical expertise in treating patients with Long COVID raises awareness of the value of physiatry-led multidisciplinary care early and throughout the continuum of patient care.

Visit the Member Resource Center to learn more about our efforts, including:

- ④ Our PASC Dashboard that shows how many millions of Americans are estimated to be experiencing PASC/Long COVID symptoms by state, county and nationally. Explore it at pascdashboard.aapmr.org.
- ④ Guidance statements released by our PASC Collaborative on fatigue, breathing discomfort, cognitive symptoms, cardiovascular complications, pediatrics and autonomic dysfunction. Additional guidance is planned on mental health and neurology. Read them at aapmr.org/guidance.
- ④ Our press coverage – AAPM&R and several Academy leaders are being featured in a variety of media outlets discussing their Long COVID expertise and the Academy's call to action. Learn more at aapmr.org/press.

Thank you to all of our members and volunteer leaders who are treating these patients, especially those involved in our PASC Collaborative and Specialty Brand Expansion Committee who have spent countless hours to advance these efforts.

Please join us in sharing our guidance and Long COVID Dashboard with your physician colleagues to support patients.

LEARN MORE AT [AAPMR.ORG/LONGCOVID](https://aapmr.org/longcovid).