# Standing Up to Knee Pain Survey:

The Physical, Social, and Mental Impact of Knee OA



### Research Methodology



The Pacira BioSciences, Inc. Standing Up to Knee Pain Survey: The Physical, Social, and Mental Impact of Knee OA, was conducted by Wakefield Research among 200 health care providers (HCPs) treating patients for chronic knee pain and/or osteoarthritis (OA) in the knee, HCPs defined as Orthopedics and Non-Operative Sports Medicine Physicians, and 500 U.S. Adults who have been treated for chronic knee pain and/or OA in the knee, between September 8<sup>th</sup> and September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, using an email invitation and an online survey.

### **Key Findings**



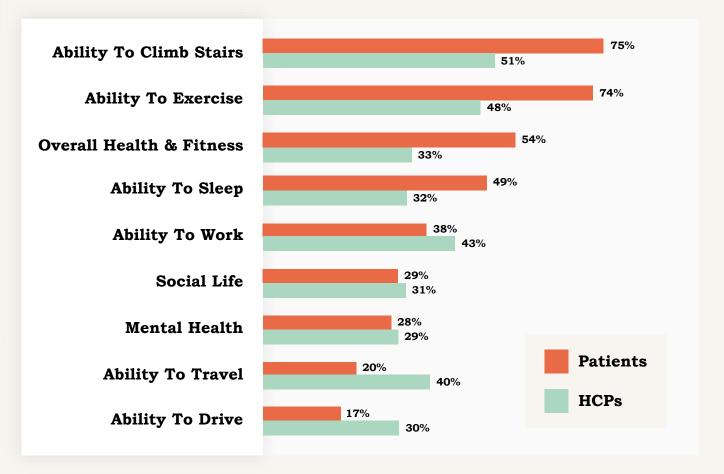
### Patients report that their condition prevents them from living a full life, regardless of multiple treatment options

**100%** of surveyed patients have tried some form of treatment to address their pain

**97%** still state that their daily lives are negatively impacted by their condition.

Patients and healthcare providers both note how pain impacts day-to-day activities

### EVERYDAY ACTIVITIES OR EFFECTS THAT HAVE BEEN NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BY CHRONIC KNEE PAIN OR OA OF THE KNEE



### The effects of knee OA are not just physical



#### **SOCIAL**

More than **9 in 10 patients (91%)** reported missing out on social events

Men (42%) and those < 50 (52%) are more likely to report always or often missing out on events



#### **MENTAL**

28% said their everyday mental health was negatively affected by their ongoing pain

The mental impact of knee pain is concerning when coupled with the fact that 45% of patients reported using opioids or prescription painkillers to manage knee OA. These co-occurring issues can be especially dangerous as patients with mental health challenges are twice as likely to have, or develop, a substance use disorder.



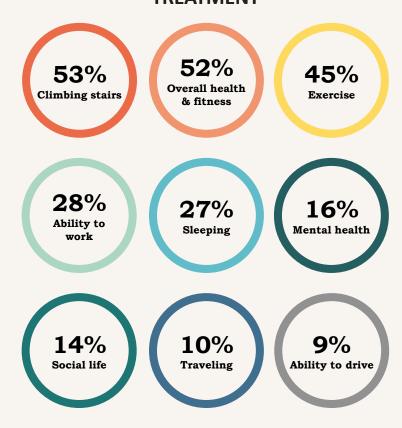
### Patients are experiencing chronic knee pain / OA at a younger age than ever before

While chronic knee pain / OA is often associated with older adults, nearly 40% of the patients surveyed were < 50

More than 62% of adults < 50 say chronic knee pain / OA impacts their ability to live the life they want to live a great deal or considerably

**100% of patients < 50** say concerns over the negative impact on their day-to-day activities sent them to seek treatment

## CONCERNED ENOUGH ABOUT THESE NEGATIVE IMPACTS TO SEEK TREATMENT





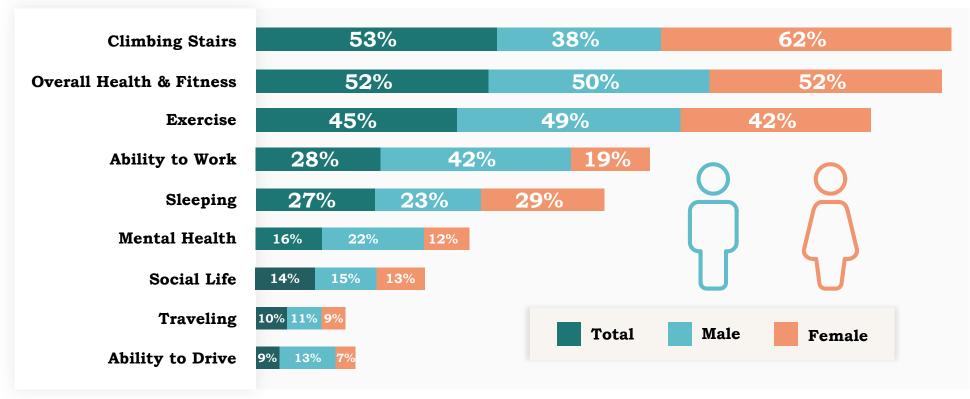
### Men and women cite different primary concerns when it comes to impact on daily life

The inability to climb stairs was a tipping point for more women (62%) than men (38%)

Men (42%) are more likely to cite ability to work than women (19%) as their tipping point

More men (22%) said their mental health was a concern compared to women (12%)

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## Patients are trying many different treatment options, including several rounds of steroid shots

## TREATMENT OPTIONS PATIENTS SAY THEY HAVE USED TO ADDRESS PAIN ASSOCIATED WITH CHRONIC KNEE PAIN OR KNEE OA

**71%** Over the counter (OTC) medications such as acetaminophen, aspirin, ibuprofen

**64%** Ice and elevation

57% Physical therapy

55% Topical OTC creams (topical analgesic)

48% Injectable steroids or injectable hyaluronic acid gels

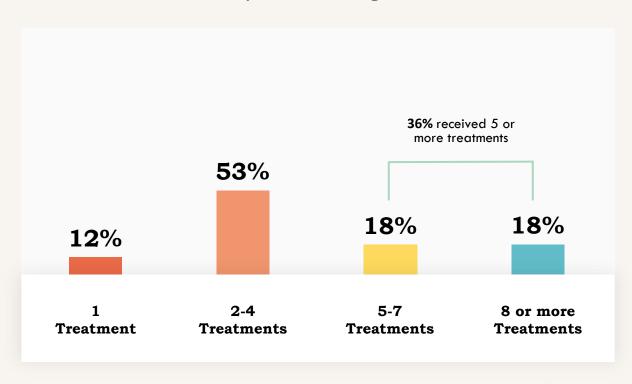
**45%** Prescription painkillers/opioids

Cryoanalgesia (targeted cold therapy delivered to the nerve using a handheld device by a doctor)

**7%** Other

#### AMOUNT OF TIMES RECEIVED A SHOT TO MANAGE PAIN

Asked among patients who have used injectable steroids or injectable hyaluronic acid gels



## Delaying treatment of chronic knee pain or knee OA can lead to significant risks

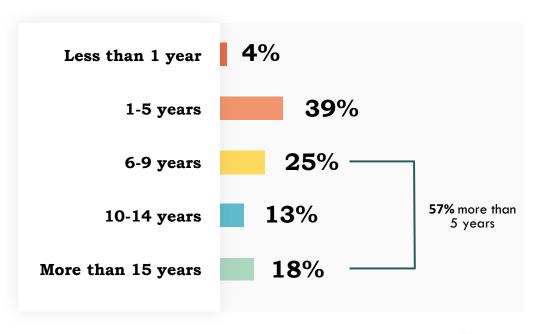
Nearly 3 in 5 (57%) patients have suffered for more than 5 years, and nearly a third (32%) have suffered for 10 years or longer

### LENGTH OF TIME SUFFERING FROM CHRONIC KNEE PAIN OR OA OF THE KNEE



All HCPS (100%) say there are consequences from delaying treatment

### CONSEQUENCES SEEN DUE TO PATIENTS WAITING TOO LONG TO RECEIVE TREATMENT FOR CHRONIC KNEE PAIN OR OA OF THE KNEE





### Patients have concerns about total knee replacement surgery

88% of patients express concerns when confronting a total knee replacement. The pain associated with surgery, recovery/physical therapy (69%) and fears that the surgery won't be successful (55%) concern the majority of patients.

#### **BIGGEST CONCERNS WHEN FACED WITH TOTAL KNEE REPLACEMENT**



**58%** 

Pain associated with recovery/physical therapy



**55**%

Surgery not being successful



48%

Pain associated with surgery



**27**%

Being out of work



**12%** 

Missing a major life event

### Clinicians and patients are beginning to demand alternatives

There are effective, non-opioid options that can provide immediate, long-lasting relief from the pain associated with knee OA



iovera° is a handheld device that delivers targeted cold therapy—also knowns as cryoanalgesia—to specific nerves in the knee in order to treat chronic knee pain, OA knee pain, and/or the pain associated with a total knee replacement surgery.

Using a small probe inserted into the treatment area, iovera° creates a precise cold zone under the skin to stop pain signals from going to the brain. The procedure is repeated until the nerves that cause pain are completely blocked.

An iovera° treatment utilizes no drugs—only your body's natural response to cold—and provides immediate pain relief that can last up to 90 days. It is performed right in your doctor's office.

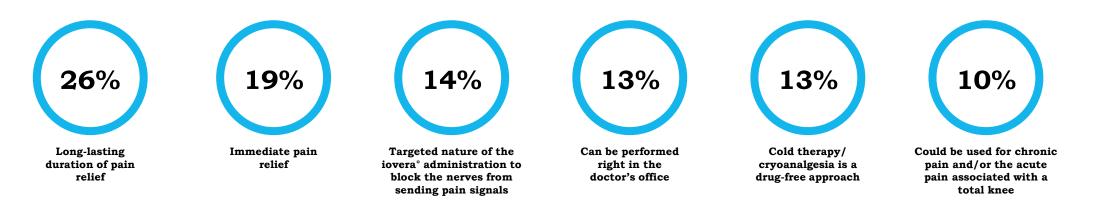


## iovera° appeals to patients especially for immediate, long-lasting pain relief

81% see iovera° as an option to treat their chronic knee pain or OA knee pain after reading a description of the treatment

When asked what interests them most about iovera $^{\circ}$ , patients most often pointed to elements of pain relief, including that it's long-lasting (up to 90 days – 26%) and immediate (19%)

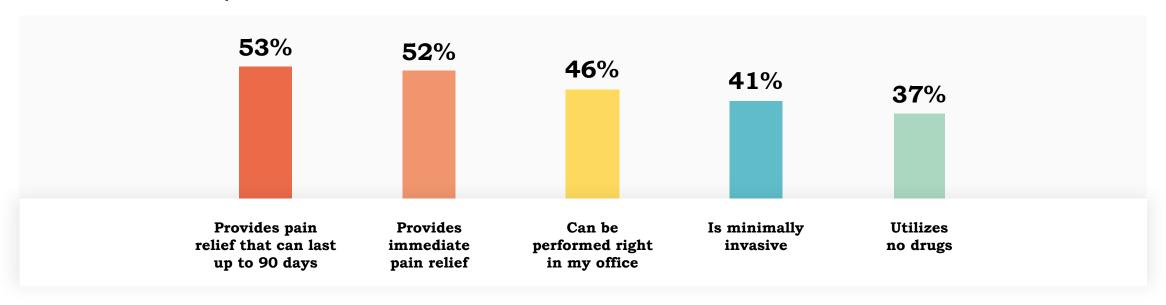
#### ASPECTS THAT RESONATED THE MOST BASED OFF THE iovera® DESCRIPTION



## For HCPs, pain relief is a significant factor to whether they would introduce iovera° to their patients

All HCPs (100%) say iovera has qualities that could influence whether they introduce the treatment to patients. The vast majority (82%) say iovera sy pain relief qualities are a factor, with 53% citing its ability to provide long-lasting pain relief, and 52% saying the immediate pain relief are factors.

#### QUALITIES THAT COULD INFLUENCE HCPs TO INTRODUCE iovera° TO PATIENTS





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