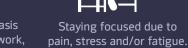


Impacts on Over 50% of survey participants said that psoriasis and PsA had a negative impact at work. When it comes to performing job tasks, they identified with these challenges. iob tasks



Location of psoriasis plagues affected work, e.g., hands or feet.



Reporting to work at the scheduled time due to fatigue.



Concentration was affected by itching.



Only a third of those polled agreed that they could access needed workplace adaptations or accommodations.

Workplace experiences & environment

When asked about their satisfaction with the answers they received from these sources, respondents indicated they were more satisfied with information from a supervisor, trusted colleague, or others with psoriasis or PsA than from a human resources department.



51% More than half of those

responding to the survey said COVID-19 had affected their employment.

Top 3 difficulties in getting medications/treatments reimbursed.

37%

The benefit plan only reimbursed some prescribed medications or treatments.

37%

I have not had any difficulties in accessing medications or treatments.

29%

41%

Reluctant to change jobs or

work because I would need to

renegotiate workplace support.

The benefit plan limits the amount of money that can be reimbursed towards a drug or service.

Finding a new job or work can bring additional challenges for people with psoriatic disease.

> 46% Living with Pso and PsA has negatively

affected my career or job prospects.

46%

Worried about changing jobs or work because I fear losing access to my benefits

66% Satisfied with the success I have achieved in my career or work.

* Only top 3-4 survey results have been included for some infographics in this visualization.

Top 3 ways respondents pay for medications and other health services.

54%

I am reimbursed through my employer's benefits plan.



22%

I pay for medications and other healthcare services myself.

I am reimbursed thr<u>ough a</u> public drug plan.

Improving workplaces for people with Pso & PsA

Policies related to disability, workplace accommodations and health benefits must:

- Recognize that psoriasis and PsA as episodic, chronic conditions that can result in disability.
- Ensure that people with Pso and PsA have timely access to medical care and the best available treatment to minimize the disabil ties these conditions might cause.

Key learnings regarding experiences during the pandemic found that a significant proportion of respondents felt:

- Not having to commute to and from work helped them save energy
- Working from home had a positive impact on their psoriasis or PsA
- They could control the pace of their workday better

Changes in the workplace respondents would like to see to better accomodate them:









Support eachother individually

more productive when they work from home

Trust that employees are Make hours more flexible There isn't much for

those with illnesses

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Working it Out