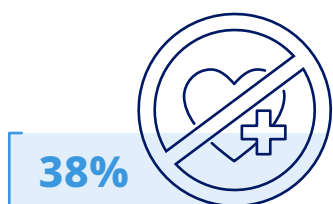
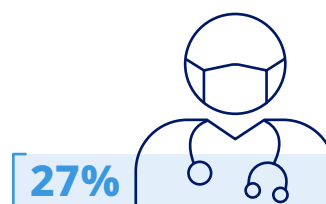


Canadians with a chronic condition are reluctant to seek proactive healthcare during COVID-19

Of 492 respondents to an online survey, who have been clinically diagnosed with a chronic condition (i.e. diabetes, arthritis, obesity, cancer, etc.):



are **avoiding the healthcare system** altogether during the pandemic lockdown



are **not comfortable seeing a physician in person** during the pandemic

13% have not visited their physician since the start of the pandemic



Only **56%** have visited their physician **in-person** during the pandemic

Delaying chronic disease management can result in patients becoming critically ill and create increased demand on our healthcare system.



Don't put your health on hold.

Visit your provincial or territory Ministry of Health website for information to safely contact your healthcare professional, either in-person or with telemedicine support.

This survey, commissioned by Novo Nordisk Canada Inc., was conducted using Leger's online panel between February 26 to 28, 2021 with 1,532 adult Canadians. 492 (35%) of the survey respondents have been clinically diagnosed with a chronic condition (e.g. arthritis, cancer, diabetes, heart disease, mood disorders, obesity, etc.). Leger estimates a probable margin of error of $\pm 2.5\%$, 19 times out of 20.