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Arthritis Consumer Experts and the Canadian Arthritis Patients Alliance are angry at the Ontario government.

They want it to put an end to discrimination against arthritis patients by listing medically necessary treatments on the provincial medication reimbursement plan.

A-C-E president Cheryl Koehn says it's time that those living with inflammatory arthritis in Ontario get the same treatment by the public health care system as those with other severe and life threatening diseases.

The lack of coverage for medically necessary treatments, already approved by Health Canada and the Common Drug Review is seen by many as a potential violation of the Ontario Human Rights Code.