Working together to beat COVID-19: engaging and involving patients and public

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The COVID-19 Reality

- Impacts on patients, caregivers, and consumers at varying degrees
- Unprecedented disruption in healthcare services
- Far reaching societal impact and consequences
So what does it mean for patient & public involvement in research?

- Evidence based medicine
- Definition of lived experience
- Number of citizens impacted by research
- Number of decision makers
- Patient & public involvement in research
So what’s the problem? What are the solutions?

- Demands on researchers
- The danger of making assumptions
- The importance of relationships
- Were patient & public partnerships truly embedded or by invitation?