RESILIENCE 2025: The International Conference on Multiple Chemical Sensitivity

Dates: Thursday, May 1 and Friday, May 2, 2025

Hosted by: The Environmental Health Association of Canada and the Environmental Health Association of Québec

Location: Virtual event on Zoom (link coming soon)

Conference Website: https://aseq-ehaq.ca/en/resiliencemcsconference/

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Accessibility Accommodations: ASL and LSQ interpretation, CART captioning, simultaneous translation english french, french english and multilingual Zoom captions.

About the Conference

RESILIENCE 2025 is a two-day international event dedicated to advancing the understanding, recognition, and inclusion of individuals affected by **Multiple Chemical Sensitivity (MCS).**

We will present emerging research supporting the biological legitimacy of MCS and highlight its prevalence. The conference will emphasize the urgent need for disability inclusion, legal reform, and updated policies.

Join us for two days of **insight, innovation, and inspiration** as we bring together global experts, advocates, and individuals with lived experience.

Conference Overview

Day 1 – Understanding the Science of MCS

We begin with an opening address by the President of Accessibility Standards Canada, followed by a historical overview of MCS.

Throughout the day, researchers and scientists from around the world will present on the biological correlates of MCS, including:

- Symptomatology and causes
- Cellular mechanisms and mediating factors
- Diagnostic practices and treatment options

Although more than one million Canadians have a diagnosis of MCS, awareness—especially in the healthcare sector—remains low. Day 1 will provide a strong scientific foundation to address that gap.

Day 2 – Promoting Inclusion, Policy, and Equity

The second day opens with remarks from the President of Accessibility Standards Canada, introducing the day's focus on **equity, accessibility, and disability inclusion.**
We will explore:

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- Data on MCS.
- The global picture of MCS through partnerships with international organizations
- Legal and policy perspectives, including scent-free and low-emission policies
- Presentations by disability lawyers, medical professionals, and academic researchers

Experts will discuss scientific bias, lack of funding, and the need for policy reform to improve the quality of life for those with MCS. The day concludes with a dynamic panel discussion sharing tangible strategies for lasting change.

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More details, including registration and full agenda, will be available soon. Be sure to follow us for updates and visit:
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Thank you for your support and commitment to creating a safer, more inclusive world for people affected by MCS.
We look forward to welcoming you to **RESILIENCE 2025!**

Warmly,

The Environmental Health Association of Canada

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