“Art Therapy for Victims of Chronic Illness | The Battered Butterfly”

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WHO?

Patients of Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE)

Cancer Patients
Approx. 1.5B chronic pain survivors around the world.

- Chronic Disease victims
- 157m CD victims
- Global Health
Chronic Disease | Emotional turmoil

- First stage w/ 12mo. of Diagnosis
- High rates of depression and suicide
- Trouble coping
- Misrepresented/underrepresented in art mediums
- Fuel chronic pain stigmas
- “Remission”
Cancer and SLE patients
Art therapy uses

• Outlets to express emotions
Convey pain, inflammation, discomfort to medical professionals
• Better world for Chronic pain survivors; accessibility
• See us | Hear us | Feel us
**Recommendations**

Complementary Art programs for treatment

Mindful Art based therapy | Abstract healing

- Range of Mediums ex; painting, poetry, film etc.

- 40-60% of victims found transition easier
- Increased understanding of care
Works cited


