# PAIN NEWS NETWORK

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PAIN NEWS NETWORK

Monrovia, CA
https://www.painnewsnetwork.org/
(818)913-0101

MISSION
Pain News Network is a non-profit online news service that provides in-depth coverage about chronic pain and pain management. Our mission is to raise awareness about chronic pain, and to connect and educate pain sufferers, caregivers, healthcare providers and the public about the pain experience.

EIN
47-3083572

RULING YEAR
2016

IRS SUBSECTION
501(c)(3) Public Charity

FOUNDING YEAR
2015

MAIN ADDRESS
PO BOX 525
Monrovia, CA
91017

AFFILIATION TYPE
Independent Organization

EDITOR
Pat Anson

BOARD CHAIR
Crystal Lindell

SUBJECT AREA
Health

Information and communications

NTEE Code
Alliance/Advocacy Organizations (E01)
Health (General and Financing) (E80)
Alliance/Advocacy Organizations (S01)

CONTACT
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editor@painnewsnetwork.org
PROGRAMS

1. Pain News Network newsletter
   Population(s) served:

2. News Aggregation
   Population(s) served:

POPULATIONS SERVED

1. Adults

COMPLIANCE

✓ IRS Pub 78 Verified as of July 2024
✓ IRS BMF 509(a) (2) as of July 09, 2024
Section 509(a)(2) organization

TRANSPARENCY MEASURES

✓ Board Practices Reported?
✓ Diversity Data Reported?
Programs & Results

PROGRAMS

Source: Self-Reported by Organization, June 2023

Pain News Network newsletter

Population(s) Served:
Adults

Our newsletter is emailed twice a month to over 18,000 subscribers, with updates on the latest news and information on chronic pain.

News Aggregation

Population(s) Served: n/a

Our stories are republished by other news organizations and seen around the world. In 2022, PNN had over 2.3 million page views (per Google Analytics) and reached nearly 554,000 people.

PNN is a certified publisher with Apple News, Google News, NewsBreak, NewsNow and Flipboard. We belong to the Association of Health Care Journalists and the California Association of Nonprofits.
RESULTS

Number of list subscribers

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Subscribers</th>
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<td>2020</td>
<td>17,500</td>
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<td>2019</td>
<td>17,000</td>
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<td>2018</td>
<td>15,000</td>
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<td>2017</td>
<td>10,000</td>
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Population(s) Served: People with diseases and illnesses, Aging, elderly, senior citizens, People with physical disabilities

Related program: Pain News Network newsletter

Notes: Number of subscribers to our twice a month newsletter.

Average online donation

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Population(s) Served: No target populations selected

Related program:

Notes: News organization that carry our coverage:


Number of media partnerships developed

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Population(s) Served: No target populations selected

Related program:

Notes: News organization that carry our coverage:

CHARTING IMPACT

What is the organization aiming to accomplish?

We seek to better inform patients, providers, caretakers, policymakers and the public about the pain experience, options in pain management, new treatments, and help remove the stigma often associated with having chronic pain.

Through our social media and guest columns, we also provide a public forum for patients and providers to freely express themselves and share their experiences.

What are the organization's key strategies for making this happen?

Our reporters and columnists cover not only the latest research, regulations and treatments for chronic pain, but the many social and financial challenges faced by pain sufferers -- and the remarkable courage they display while coping with what is often a lifetime illness.

What are the organization's capabilities for doing this?

Since our founding in 2016, PNN has reached millions of people in the U.S. and over 200 other countries. Over 18,000 people subscribe to our newsletter.

We also conduct surveys from time to time to learn about the effectiveness of public policies and pain management therapies.

What have and haven't they accomplished so far?

PNN has become the "go-to" resource for the pain community. Patients and providers look to us for unbiased coverage that is independent of corporate or political influence.
# Financials

Source: Self-Reported by Organization, June 2023

**FISCAL YEAR START:** Jan/01  
**FISCAL YEAR END:** Dec/31

## Revenue & Expenses

### Revenue

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<th>Description</th>
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<td>Contributions, gifts, and grants</td>
<td>$11,329</td>
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<td>Program service revenue including government fees and contracts</td>
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<td>Membership Dues</td>
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<td>Net Income from Special Events</td>
<td>$0</td>
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<td>Advertising</td>
<td>$8,661</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenue</strong></td>
<td>$19,990</td>
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### Expenses

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<td>Administration</td>
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<td>$27,770</td>
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## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

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<td>Total Assets</td>
<td>$17,816</td>
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<td>Total Liabilities</td>
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<td><strong>Net Assets or Fund Balance at the end of year</strong></td>
<td>$17,816</td>
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Operations

Source: Self-Reported by Organization, June 2023

EDITOR

Mr. Pat Anson

Pat Anson is an award winning journalist who has worked as a reporter, producer, writer, and anchor at TV and radio stations in Ohio, Oregon, Washington, Montana, Iowa, and Los Angeles. He was a producer and correspondent for Nightly Business Report and HealthWeek on PBS, as well as other nationally syndicated shows.

BOARD CHAIR

Crystal Lindell

BOARD MEMBERS

Melanie Anson
Crystal Lindell
Carol Levy
Pat Anson
BOARD LEADERSHIP PRACTICES
GuideStar worked with BoardSource, the national leader in nonprofit board leadership and governance, to create this section, which enables organizations and donors to transparently share information about essential board leadership practices.

BOARD ORIENTATION & EDUCATION
Does the board conduct a formal orientation for new board members and require all board members to sign a written agreement regarding their roles, responsibilities, and expectations?
No

CEO OVERSIGHT
Has the board conducted a formal, written assessment of the chief executive within the past year?
No

ETHICS & TRANSPARENCY
Have the board and senior staff reviewed the conflict-of-interest policy and completed and signed disclosure statements in the past year?
No

BOARD COMPOSITION
Does the board ensure an inclusive board member recruitment process that results in diversity of thought and leadership?
No

BOARD PERFORMANCE
Has the board conducted a formal, written self-assessment of its performance within the past three years?
No
Organizational Demographics

Who works and leads organizations that serve our diverse communities? This organization has voluntarily shared information to answer this important question and to support sector-wide learning. GuideStar partnered on this section with CHANGE Philanthropy and Equity in the Center.

Leadership

*The organization's leader identifies as:*

- **Race & Ethnicity**: Decline to state
- **Gender Identity**: Decline to state
- **Sexual Orientation**: Decline to state
- **Disability Status**: Person without a disability

Race & Ethnicity

*No data*

Gender Identity

**Board Members**

- Female: 76%
- Male: 25%
- Non-binary: 0%
- People who prefer to identify with another gender identity: 0%
- Unknown or decline to state: 0%

Transgender Identity

*No data*

Sexual Orientation

*No data*

Disability

**Board Members**

- Person with a disability: 50%
- Person without a disability: 50%
- Unknown or decline to state: 0%
## Appendix

### Key Documents

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- Letter of Determination
PAIN NEWS NETWORK
PO Box 525
Monrovia, CA 91017

- **Foundation Status Code**: PC
- Public charity described in section 509(a)(1) or (2)

**IRS Publication 78 Details**

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<th>Organization name</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Most recent IRS Publication 78</th>
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<td>Pain News Network</td>
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- **EIN**: 47-3083572
- **Deductibility status description**: A public charity (50% deductibility limitation).
- **Verified with most recent Internal Revenue Bulletin**
  - July 15, 2024

**IRS Business Master File Details**

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<td>PAIN NEWS NETWORK</td>
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- **EIN**: 47-3083572
- **IRS subsection**: 501(c)(3) Public Charity
- **Ruling date**: 01/2016

- **Foundation Code**: 16
- **Foundation Code Description**: Organization that normally receives no more than one-third of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business income and at the same time more than one-third of its support from contributions, fees, and gross receipts related to exempt purposes.

This organization was not included in the Office of Foreign Assets Control Specially Designated Nationals (SDN) list.

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*On September 8, 2011, the IRS issued [regulations](#) which eliminated the advance ruling process for a section 501(c)(3) organization. [Learn more](#)*

*The Foundation Status Code is the code that foundations are required to provide for each grantee annually on part XV of Form 990PF. Note that this code cannot be derived in some cases (e.g., supporting organizations for which ‘type’ can’t be determined).

IRS Revenue Procedure 2011-33 allows grantors to rely on third-party resources, such as GuideStar Charity Check, to obtain required Business Master File (BMF) data concerning a potential grantee’s public charity classification under section 509 (a) (1), (2) or (3).

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**GuideStar Charity Check Data Sources**

- GuideStar acquires all IRS data directly from the Internal Revenue Service.
- IRS Publication 78 (Cumulative List of Organizations) lists organizations that have been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions.
- IRS Internal Revenue Bulletin (IRB) lists changes in charitable status since the last Publication 78 release. Between the release of IRS Publication 78 and the subsequent IRS Internal Revenue Bulletin, the IRB date will reflect the most recent release date of IRS Publication 78.
- IRS Business Master File lists approximately 1.7 million nonprofits registered with the IRS as tax-exempt organizations.
- The IRS Automatic Revocation of Exemption List contains organizations that have had their federal tax-exempt status automatically revoked for failing to file an annual return or notice with the IRS for three consecutive years.
- The IRS Foundation Status Code is a value derived by mapping the codes found on the 990PF filing instructions to the corresponding codes in the IRS BMF. Note that not all codes are able to be mapped due to insufficient data.
- The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated Nationals (SDN) list contains organizations that are owned or controlled by targeted individuals, groups, and entities, such as terrorists or narcotics traffickers. Their assets are blocked and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from dealing with them.

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