

Challenge X 2025: The Patient-Led National Design Challenge

Enabling patients to design for a life beyond diagnosis.

Why Challenge X?

The world is filled with complex, seemingly impossible challenges. At their core, these challenges share one thing: people.

We may contribute to them, often without realising it. We may want to solve them but feel overwhelmed or powerless. Too often, we wait for experts whose solutions don't always fit our lives or meet our real needs.

Using design-led approach, Challenge X: The Patient-Led National Design Challenge brings together patients, caregivers, care providers, and designers to co-create solutions that help people with long-term health conditions live fully—beyond the label of “patient.”

By involving those most affected, we create solutions that truly work—practical, meaningful, and usable. This showcase features prototypes researched and co-designed by patients, for patients, in collaboration with care providers, designers, and the wider community.

Over to you!

Which of these solutions would you most like to see implemented?
Which design do you feel stands out above the rest?

Scan the QR code next to each project display, to cast your vote for the **Challenge X: Patient-Led National Design Challenge Project of the Year 2025!**

The winning project will be announced after Singapore Design Week 2025.

What's involved?

No complex challenge can be solved from one perspective.

DesignSingapore Council's School of X ran two half-day design sprints with ten patient advocacy groups. Patients, caregivers, clinicians, and design students collaborated as equals, sharing experiences and insights. Seniors worked with seniors, volunteers with beneficiaries, patients with clinicians—resulting in rich ideas and creative prototypes.

What you see here on display are the mock-up prototype designs of these patient-led care solutions.

About Us

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DesignSingapore Council

The DesignSingapore Council's (Dsg's) vision is for Singapore to be an innovation-driven economy and a loveable city by design. As the national agency that promotes design, our mission is to develop the design sector, help Singapore use design for innovation and growth, and make life better in this UNESCO Creative City of Design. Dsg is a subsidiary of the Singapore Economic Development Board.

Centre for Healthcare Innovation (CHI) & Alliance of Patients' Organizations Singapore (APOS)

CHI, part of NHG Health, drives systems transformation to add years of healthy life to the communities they serve. This transformation is powered by innovation, with care redesign, technology adoption, and job redesign for the future healthcare workforce.

APOS was formed to meet the increasing demand for patient-centered healthcare and patient engagement, providing a collaborative environment, and advocating for policies that prioritise patients' needs and preferences.

For Challenge X 2025, DesignSingapore Council has partnered with CHI and APOS to highlight the potential of patient-led design for patient solutions.

