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Professor Côté is an epidemiologist. His clinical training was in the field of chiropractic. He holds the prestigious Canada Research Chair in Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation and he is a Professor in the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Ontario Institute of Technology. He is also the director of the Centre for the Study of Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation at Ontario Tech University and CMCC and a Professor of Epidemiology at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health at the University of Toronto.

His current research focuses on the etiology, prognosis and management of disability related to musculoskeletal pain and mental health. He has expertise in the design and conduct of randomized clinical trials, cohort studies, case-control studies and systematic reviews. Dr. Côté was a member of the scientific secretariat of the 2000-2010 Bone and Joint Task Force on Neck Pain and its Associated Disorders; a large international collaboration aimed at synthesizing the scientific evidence on the problem of neck pain. In 2010, he reviewed and proposed modifications to the definition of catastrophic impairment related to traffic collision for the Financial Services Commission of Ontario. More recently, he was mandated by the Government of Ontario to develop evidence-based Clinical Practice Guidelines for the management of traffic injuries. He submitted his report on the management of Common Traffic injuries to the Ontario Government in 2015.

Côté is the Chair of the World Federation of Chiropractic Disability and Rehabilitation Committee and in 2018 and he is the co-Chair of the Eurospine Diploma in Interdisciplinary Spine Care, a program to standardize spine care in Europe. He is also a member of the Eurospine Task Force on Research. In 2018, he was elected on the Board of Directors of the Global Rehabilitation Alliance and he contributes to various projects with the World Health Organization, including the development of programs of rehabilitation for low back pain.

Professor Côté has published more than 260 scientific papers in peer-reviewed journals. His current Scopus h-index is 55.