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Kate Dunn is a Professor of Epidemiology at Keele University, where she leads the Centre for Musculoskeletal Health Research. She has researched back pain for over 25 years, where she has gradually shifted from a focus on adult back pain to researching musculoskeletal pain in children and young people from a life course perspective.

Kate's most influential work underpins shifting the study of back pain from an "acute vs. chronic" model to the understanding of long-term trajectories, and stratified care including the STarT Back Approach. Her most recent work focusing on children and young people includes leading the CAM-Pain Programme. She has published over 60 papers on back pain, and her work has been cited over 23,000 times.