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In this dissertation, attention is paid to the broad impact of living with a neuromuscular disease. It is shown how a chronic illness, such as a neuromuscular disease, colors people's lives in diverse ways. The painting on the cover represents this theme; it is a painting of a body, called True Colors: Live Your True Colors. The painting consists of multiple layers and materials (paint, cement, clay). In this way, it symbolizes the complexity of living with a chronic illness; it is not simply black or white, not simply sick or healthy. Living with a chronic disease such as a neuromuscular disease is far more complex; it affects one's relationships, one's identity and body perception, one's future perspective, one's health care needs and many more aspects. All these aspects together form a person and influence their experiences.