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Dear Phil,

Welcome to the April edition of the Experts in MS newsletter. In this issue, we bring you the latest updates on MS research, professional development opportunities, and key resources to enhance your practice.

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Research & Innovation

Help shape a new approach to bowel symptom management

We're researching bowel symptom management in MS and co-designing a new self-management intervention.

We're looking for clinicians who regularly support people with MS, including MS consultants, MS nurses, continence nurses, AHPs and neurology specialists.

Taking part includes:

- A 90-minute online one-to-one interview
- A clinician-only feedback workshop
- Mixed co-design sessions with people with MS and carers

Your expertise will help us develop a practical, evidence-informed intervention. Interested in taking part?

 [Email Jessica Parkhouse](#)

Improving MS diagnosis globally

Early and accurate diagnosis can help people with MS start treatment, plan for the future and maintain the best possible quality of life.

A new MSIF scoping study explores the barriers to timely MS diagnosis and sets out evidence-based recommendations for reducing them.

 [Read the recommendations](#)

Pressure Ulcer Prevention Research – Professional feedback requested

Researchers at the University of Leeds have developed [a new interactive pressure ulcer prevention website](#) for people living with long-term neurological conditions, including MS.

The team is seeking feedback from healthcare professionals on the draft resource before wider rollout.

 [Provide your feedback](#)

Education & CPD

Greater Manchester MS Information Network webinar

Monday 21 September | 6.30–7.45pm

Find out how the Greater Manchester MS Information Network was developed to support people newly diagnosed with MS.

The pilot was developed with local people living with MS and MS healthcare professionals. The team will share how the project was developed and its outcomes.

 [Find out more and sign up](#)

Neurorehabilitation & Physical Activity Event

Wednesday 30 September | Glasgow & Online

This hybrid event will explore research and projects focused on physical activity for people living with long-term neurological conditions.

You will hear from experts, discuss future priorities and explore opportunities for collaboration and development.

 [Find out more and register](#)

Cheshire and Merseyside Neuro Rehab Review webinar

Tuesday 6 October | 7.00–8.15pm

Hear about the Cheshire and Merseyside Specialist/Neuro Rehab commissioning review, including its final report and key recommendations.

The session will explore proposed changes across inpatient services and the establishment of a comprehensive community neurorehabilitation offer across the region.

 [Find out more and sign up](#)

MS e-learning

Build your understanding of MS and other neurological conditions with our range of e-learning courses for health and social care professionals.

▶ [Find out more](#)

FACETS for Facilitators

Want to deliver the FACETS fatigue management programme?

Our online facilitator training takes place over two half-day sessions. The next course is **1 and 8 October**.

▶ [Book your place today](#)

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Policy & Practice

Fampridine now approved across the UK

Since July 2026, fampridine has been approved on the NHS in all UK nations. It is the only drug licensed to improve walking speed in MS.

▶ [Read the Fampridine information](#)

▶ [Watch the Fampridine awareness webinar](#)

Help shape the future of neurological services

Too many people with MS reach crisis point because they don't get access to the right care soon enough.

The Government is currently deciding which conditions should have a Modern Service Framework next. We're calling for neurological conditions to be included.

More than 6,500 people have signed our open letter so far. Help us reach 7,000.

 [Sign the open letter](#)

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Clinical Resources & Tools

Updated information to support your practice

Our clinical information is regularly reviewed to reflect changes in guidance and evidence. Recent updates include information on:

Disease-modifying therapies (DMT): Updated following the June 2026 NHS England Treatment Algorithm.

HSCT: Updated information on who HSCT can work for.

Pregnancy, birth and breastfeeding: Updated following the new Dobson/ABN guidance.

Bladder problems: Updated information covering types of bladder problems and how they can be managed.

Driving and MS: Updated information on driving and DVLA requirements.

Share your thoughts

We want to make Experts in MS as useful as possible for your work. Help shape future resources by [sharing your opinion](#).

Get in touch

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