



Dear CMSC Member,

The Foundation of the CMSC (FCMSC), the Consortium of Multiple Sclerosis Centers (CMSC) and the International Organization of Multiple Sclerosis Rehabilitation Therapists (IOMSRT) are pleased to announce the continuation of the 2018 **MS Rehabilitation Therapy Specialty Training Program**.

These 35-hour on-site training courses offers specialized training programs for rehabilitation professionals and graduate students in the areas of physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech/language pathology. **The rehabilitation program is for professionals and professionals-in-training who want to learn more about rehabilitation in multiple sclerosis. The program is not designed for experienced professionals who have completed MSCS certification or have extensive experience in MS.**

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must hold appropriate licensure, certification and/or registration in the state/province of their current employment **or** be currently enrolled in an accredited rehabilitation graduate program and be prepared to spend 5 -7 days (including travel) for the program.

Eligibility is limited to therapists recent to MS work who have not previously been awarded and completed this training course. Practicing licensed applicants should be either an individual member of the CMSC (**not necessary for student applicants**) **or** work at a CMSC member center. **Each trainee participant will be provided with scholarship funds for travel and lodging.**

### **Evaluation Process**

The application and selection process will be administered independently of grantors through a board review process of the Foundation of the CMSC and the CMSC Rehabilitation Special Interest Group.

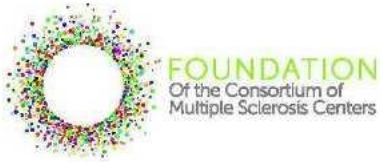
### **Information for Applicants**

Please provide the following additional information with the application form:

- A brief biographical sketch or CV.
- A 2-4 page summary (not including references) of current work experience and/or career goals in the field of multiple sclerosis, professional goals and objectives for your participation in the MS Rehabilitation Therapy Specialty Training Program as well as any plans for education of colleagues upon return from this program.
- A letter of recommendation and support from current supervisor/academic supervisor stating commitment and plans for utilization of the skills this course provides.

**Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.**

**Deadline for applications: [November 12, 2017](#)**



### **Program Background**

This program was established to support additional training and to stimulate excellence and growth in the delivery of rehabilitation in the field of MS. In addition, the program will promote the CMSC's core value of the need for comprehensive care for people living with MS.

On-site MS Rehabilitation programs are scheduled at selected CMSC MS Centers in the United States and Canada. The program will be offered during the first half of the 2018 calendar year with location and dates to be confirmed soon. All programs will be conducted by expert multidisciplinary faculty. Each Rehab program site will accommodate four MS Program Scholars.

Each scholar will participate in a total of 35 hours of training covering all aspects of comprehensive care provided at the MS center. Areas of education may include:

1. **Medical management in MS - neurological and nursing care**
2. **Exposure to psychosocial services**
3. **Wellness services or referral for health promotion**
4. **MS-Specific rehabilitation programs**
  - **60 minute overview for each discipline - basics to advance as identified by the trainees prior to the site visit**
  - **Patient interaction**
5. **Active clinical research programs [discussion and/or participation in ongoing program]**
6. **Exposure to seating and mobility clinics**
7. **Spasticity interventions**

Thank you for your collaboration with the CMSC and FCMSC, and your role in promoting the best and latest in care for Multiple Sclerosis.

Sincerely,

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MS Rehab Program Director

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Chief Executive Officer, CMSC

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FCMSC Program Manager



## MS REHABILITATION THERAPY SPECIALTY TRAINING APPLICATION - 2018

Name:	Credentials:
Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
Email:	Phone:
Work/School Email:	
Undergraduate School:	
Degree:	Year of Graduation:
Graduate School:	
Year of Graduation:	
Other certification/licensure:	
Current Employer:	
Current Supervisor:	
<p><b><u>Any restriction on dates or locations for your rehab training? Please elaborate below.</u></b>            (Valid passport to travel to Canada required if you are assigned to that site.)  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes      <input type="checkbox"/> No  <b>Please specify:</b> _____            _____</p>	
Your Signature: _____ Date: _____	
Supervisor/Academic Supervisor Signature: _____	
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**Return completed application materials via email or fax no later than November 12, 2017 to:**  
**Email: [cindy@cmscfoundation.org](mailto:cindy@cmscfoundation.org)    OR    Fax: (866)-920-6813**