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Multiple Sclerosis Centers



CALL FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST MS Rehabilitation Therapy Specialty Training Sites 2020

Background

The Foundation of the Consortium of Multiple Sclerosis Centers is proud to continue a series of specialty training opportunities for rehabilitation professionals. Now in its' 12th year, programs of this type have been established to encourage growth and excellence in the comprehensive clinical care of MS.

This call for applications seeks letters of interest from qualified CMSC Comprehensive Care Center training sites for the 2020 MS Rehabilitation Therapy Specialty Training Program.

Because training sites must be vetted and approved prior to commencement of the MS Rehabilitation Program annually, we welcome letters of interest from potential training sites.

Guidelines

Funding for three MS Rehabilitation training sites will be available, with training sessions commencing in Q1/2 2020. A total of twelve rehabilitation professionals or graduate rehabilitation students will apply to participate in specialized MS training with expert multidisciplinary faculty at CMSC member institutions.

Trainee applicants will be required to 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 an MS Rehabilitation Program scholarship. Each trainee participant will be provided with scholarship funds for travel and lodging expenses.

Training Site Criteria

To be considered as a Training Site the following criteria must be met:

- * **Must be a member of the Consortium of Multiple Sclerosis Centers (CMSC).**
- * **A letter of interest must be accompanied with a statement of support from the site's director or department head which should include:**
 1. **What programs/clinics of the comprehensive center will the trainees be exposed to? (i.e. PT, OT, Spasticity clinic, neurologist/neurosurgeons)**
 2. **List of professionals (with credentials) that the trainees will be able to observe during their time in your clinic.**
 3. **A rough outline of the curriculum or proposed schedule you will provide for the trainees.**
- Site applicants are limited to **CMSC member centers** offering multidisciplinary comprehensive MS care, staffed with licensed rehabilitation professionals in the areas of physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech/language pathology. (For more information about becoming a CMSC member, contact Marguerite Herman, 201-487-1050, X105 or email mherman@m scare.org. To check if your center is a CMSC member, contact Ryan Francia at 201-487-1050, x103 or email ryan@m scare.org)
- Training sites must have administrative capability to schedule sessions, contact participants, and provide information regarding available local lodging and program logistics. Each trainee participant will be responsible for making their own travel and lodging arrangements based on information provided by the site coordinator.
- Approved training sites will receive a site fee of \$2,500 to compensate site training costs which may be utilized by your program to provide trainer honoraria and expenses for program administration. Per the Sunshine Act reporting requirements, documentation will be required on portions of your site fee funds supporting food or other fees for HCPs presenting or participating in the program. This includes any HCP (prescribing or not). Students will NOT need to be included in the report. A reporting form will be provided at the completion of the sessions. (Trainee participants will complete their own Sunshine Act report form.)
- Go to the link below, complete the Training Site Request Form, attach the documentation requested above and submit via email or fax by **October 18, 2019** to: Cindy Bobowski, FCMSC Program Manager, cindy@cmscfoundation.org or fax to **(866)-920-6813**.

Curriculum will include:

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2. **Exposure to psychosocial services**
3. **Wellness services or referral for health promotion**
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■ 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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Chief Executive Officer, CMSC

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FCMSC Program Manager



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Training Site Application - Q1/2 2020

FCMSC Rehabilitation Therapy Specialty Training Program

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Process

The application and selection process for both sites and MS Rehabilitation Therapy Specialty Program will be administered independently of grantors through a board review process of the Foundation of the CMSC, and the CMSC Rehabilitation Special Interest Group.

Deadline: October 18, 2019

Site Name:	
Site Coordinator & Credentials:	
Site Coordinator Email:	Contact Telephone:
Site Address:	
Site Coordinator Signature:	Date:
Site Director/Department Head signature approval:	Date:

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