Pathfinder for Multiple Sclerosis

Introduction to the topic

Multiple sclerosis is “a demyelinating disease marked by patches of hardened tissue in the brain or the spinal cord and associated especially with partial or complete paralysis and jerking muscle tremor.” (Retrieved from http://c.merriam-webster.com/medlineplus/multiple%20sclerosis on January 2, 2017.)

Online databases

Suggested subject terms to use in searching are multiple sclerosis, autoimmune diseases, demyelinating disease, neurodegenerative disorders, and chronic disease.

MedlinePlus®
Health information for patients, families and health care providers. Also in Spanish. Access to this government-supported database is free.

OT SEARCH
OT Search contains over 40,000 citations for occupational therapy literature and related subject areas dating from the early 1900’s. Citations may include links to full-text content. It is a subscription-based service.

PubMed/MEDLINE
PubMed comprises more than 20 million citations for biomedical literature from MEDLINE, life science journals, and online books. Citations may include links to full-text content from PubMed Central and publisher web sites. Access to this government-supported database is free.

Reference resources (print and electronic)


ClinicalTrials.gov
ClinicalTrials.gov offers up-to-date information for locating federally and privately supported clinical trials for a wide range of diseases and conditions.

AHRQ’s NGC is a public resource for evidence-based clinical practice guidelines


**Associations, Foundations, and Organizations**

*Multiple Sclerosis Foundation*

*Multiple Sclerosis International Federation*

*National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke*

*National Multiple Sclerosis Society*

**American Occupational Therapy Association**

*AOTA Critically Appraised Tropics and Papers Series*


**Practice Guidelines Series**


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**Selected articles on the role of occupational therapy multiple sclerosis**


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