

Welcome to the September 2022 issue

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Welcome to the latest issue of the 'Experts in MS' newsletter.

We've some exciting news from Scotland and a brand new service in North London to share with you this month.



SMC approve Sativex in Scotland

The Scottish Medicines Consortium (SMC) has announced cannabis-based medication Sativex will be available to adult NHS patients who experience moderate to severe spasticity due to MS, where other treatments haven't

worked.

Morna Simpkins, our Scotland Director, said: “We welcome the SMC’s decision. Sativex has been proven to relieve muscle spasms and their associated pain, leading to improved mobility, better sleep patterns and a better quality of life for the person living with MS and their partner, family and loved ones.”

[Read more about this decision on our website.](#)

And if you are hoping to set up a Sativex service in your area, you can still [access our evidence pack](#) to help you get started.

[Get our evidence pack →](#)



NeuroResponse webinar

NeuroResponse enables people with MS in North and Central London to get quick and easy 24/7 access to clinicians at NHS 111 to aid early detection of urinary tract infections - helping reduce the need for GP appointments and unnecessary hospital attendances.

The team is working closely with all the NHS North and Central London boroughs to roll the service out across **Barnet, Haringey, Enfield, Camden and Islington.**

This free webinar is an opportunity to find out more about how the

service works, how it has been designed with people with MS and their families, and how they can sign up.

Sign up to our webinar →



Recruiting new members for our research committee

We're looking for allied healthcare professionals and researchers to join our research committees and help us make our research more impactful for people affected by MS.

The Expert Review Network are our trusted and independent source of reviewers and make funding recommendations for our research awards.

The Research Strategy Committee advise us on the development and implementation of all aspects of our research strategy.

You can find more information about the roles of committee members and how to apply on the webpages linked above. Or email research@mssociety.org.uk with any questions.



Living Well information webinars

Our webinars offer information and support on topics linked to MS and wellbeing. We are joined by expert speakers alongside volunteers with lived experience. These events are for anyone affected by MS including healthcare professionals. If you would like to know more about joining or getting involved email livingwell@mssociety.org.uk.



Living Well sessions

We provide a selection of online events for anyone affected by MS. These events vary from our webinars to our many interactive courses and sessions. [Check out our full programme on our website](#) so that you can tell your MS community about what's on offer.

[Browse our upcoming events →](#)

Tell us what you need

Let us know the kind of information and resources you'd like us to produce, and how useful our information is.

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