

fact sheet

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MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS
INSTITUTE

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS INSTITUTE AT SHEPHERD CENTER

The Multiple Sclerosis Institute at Shepherd Center has extensive experience treating people with multiple sclerosis (MS), suspected MS or related disorders. We have treated thousands of people with MS using a wide range of neurological and rehabilitative services.

The MS Institute believes that early and appropriate treatment results in better quality of life for people with MS and may protect against future illness. Our staff of medical professionals works aggressively to slow the progression of the disease. Treatment options focus on medications, physical rehabilitation (including strength and energy conservation) and experimental therapies. The MS Institute offers comprehensive evaluations, diagnostics, rehabilitation services and treatment options through FDA-approved drugs and new clinical trials.

Our team works aggressively to slow the progress of the disease, focus on rehabilitation that emphasizes realistic goals for maximum independence, promote family involvement, and empower people with MS to make decisions and take responsibility for their own health care.

The MS Institute has a range of supportive services, including psychological counseling, educational programs, vocational services, nutritional counseling and therapeutic recreation programs.

If you have multiple sclerosis, you will be treated by a professional, interdisciplinary team that may include neurologists, urologists, MS nurses, physical and occupational therapists, case managers, nutritionists, speech therapists, vocational counselors, recreational therapists and neuropsychologists.

Multiple sclerosis (MS) affects more than 400,000 Americans and 7,000 Georgians. Although there is no cure for MS, it is treatable. Treatments can slow the progression of the disease and make a difference in people's lives.

TREATMENT OPTIONS

- Physical Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech and Cognitive Therapy
- Recreation Therapy
- Aquatics Classes
- Physical Fitness Program
- Case Management
- Neuropsychological Services
- Patient and Family Educational Counseling
- Bracing Clinic
- Seating Clinic
- Urology Clinic
- MRI
- Vocational Counseling
- Inpatient Care
- Rehabilitation Wellness Programs
- Comprehensive Pain Management
- Clinical Research Opportunities
- Nursing Care: Medical and Rehabilitation

MS RESEARCH

The MS Institute at Shepherd participates in a number of MS research studies and clinical trials. Our emphasis on clinical trials and new clinical treatment investigations means the latest treatments are often available to our clients before they are available elsewhere. In addition, the MS Institute is a leader in the management of the most current medications, multi-drug regimens and MS clinical drug trials.

AFFILIATIONS

The MS Institute at Shepherd Center is a member of the Consortium of MS Centers and the North American Research Committee on Multiple Sclerosis. It is an officially designated treatment facility of the National MS Society, Georgia Chapter and is a partner with Harvard Medical School and other leading academic institutions.

FOR PATIENTS

Call the MS Institute if you would like to inquire about our program or schedule a new patient appointment.

Phone: 404-350-7756

Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday – Friday

PLEASE HAVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION READY:

- Medical records (or phone number of the physician office with medical records)
- List of current medications and dosage
- MRI films

FOR PHYSICIANS

To make a referral, contact our case management department at 404-350-7756. Please have the following information ready:

- Patient demographic information
- Medical records, including diagnostic testing results
- Copy of insurance card

Visit the Multiple Sclerosis Institute at Shepherd Center online at www.shepherd.org/ms