

Living with multiple sclerosis? RESEARCH PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

What is this study about?

The aim of this study is to better understand the communication experiences of persons living with multiple sclerosis (MS). We are interested in understanding how often language difficulties are experienced, what these language difficulties may be, and how they impact on quality of life and everyday activities.

To be eligible for this study, you must:

- ✓ Have a diagnosis of MS
- ✓ Be 18 years of age or more
- ✓ We are looking for both people with MS who <u>DO</u> and who <u>DO</u> NOT experience communication problems in their everyday life

What does this study involve?

- This study involves the completion of an anonymous online questionnaire about your communication, memory and thinking, quality of life, and social support and networks.
- It is estimated that the questionnaire will take around 30 to 45 minutes to complete. You have the option to complete the questionnaire in 1 session or over multiple sessions.

What do I get?

- 1. You have the opportunity to win 1 of 4 \$25 gift vouchers.
- 2. Your participation will help us raise awareness and improve our knowledge of language problems in MS. This will help us design more specific and effective intervention for people with MS with communication problems.

The questionnaire can be found on the following weblink:

https://redcap.sydney.edu.au/surveys/?s=PCR8ND4T9D

What if I would like further information about the study?

Please contact Ms Sarah El-Wahsh (PhD student) on e-mail at: selw5849@uni.sydney.edu.au. To access the *Patient Information Statement* which describes the study in full, please click on the questionnaire weblink.

The ethical aspects of this study have been approved by The University of Sydney HREC (Protocol number: 2019/619)