

# International Pediatric Multiple Sclerosis Study Group Membership Information and Application

Welcome to the International Pediatric MS Study Group (IPMSSG). We are dedicated to optimizing worldwide care, education, and research in pediatric MS and other acquired demyelinating disorders of the central nervous system. A fundamental goal is to foster international collaboration.

## Introduction to potential new members

There are three categories of members:

- Clinicians involved in the care of pediatric MS patients (MD, DO or other)
- Researchers involved in research directed towards pediatric MS (MD, Ph.D. or other)
- Other non-practicing health professionals who have a role and interest in pediatric MS

Membership in the Study Group is approved by the Steering Committee. The decision of the Steering Committee on membership is final and without appeal.

At the time of application for membership, individuals will be requested to indicate the most appropriate category. In the conduct of its work, the IPMSSG may target communication and participation in selected initiatives to a specific category of members.

Applicants who are trainees at the time of their application will be requested to indicate this and a roster of trainees will be maintained.

Please return this form along with a brief CV (max 500 words) to Micky Bacchus ([BacchusM@chop.edu](mailto:BacchusM@chop.edu)). Your details will be circulated to the IPMSSG Steering committee for ratification following which you will receive a formal notification from the group.

Respectfully,

Brenda Banwell, MD, FRCPC, FAAN  
Chair, Nominating Committee

Micky Bacchus,  
Administrative Manager

**Full name:**

**Profession/specialty (including adult or child):**

**Email address:**

**Institution name:**

**Institution address:**

**Membership Category (select one only):**

- Clinician
- Researcher
- Other non-practicing health professional

**Are you currently a trainee?**

- Yes
- No

### **Operational Committees**

There are currently three operational committees of the Study Group:

**Clinical Care:** To facilitate studies aimed at optimization of care for children with MS and related disorders

**Education and Outreach:** to facilitate development of initiatives and resources to achieve greater awareness of pediatric MS and related disorders, and advocate for improved care of individuals with MS and related disorders worldwide.

**Research:** to facilitate research studies in pediatric MS and related disorders directed at understanding the pathobiology of the disease.

If you would like to be considered for future appointment to one or more of the committees above, please indicate so below:

- Clinical Care
- Education and Outreach
- Research

Please note that annually the general members will be surveyed by the Nominating Committee for their interest in participation on one or more operational committees or projects. A member may be appointed to no more than two operational committees concurrently.