**Scientific Research NMSC: running study**

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| **Title study** | The MS toolkit as a sustainable solution for labor problems in people with Multiple Sclerosis |  |
| **Acronym** (if applicable) | MS@Work Vlaanderen |  |
| **Aim of the study** | Via dit onderzoek willen wij ingaan op de maatschappelijke uitdaging om een duurzame (her)tewerkstelling voor personen met MS te creëren door het ontwikkelen van een “MS toolkit”. |  |
| **Summary / abstract** (max 200 words)(inclusion/exclusion criteria, intervention(s), outcomes) | The participants are people with Multiple Sclerosis of working age (18-64 years).(1) The participant is asked to complete 3 validated labor screening **questionnaires** that provide insight into the current employment situation. Afterwards, an **in-depth interview** is conducted to evaluate whether the results of the questionnaires correspond to the participant's own experience. It is also asked how the participant experienced it to fill in the questionnaires, which he / she found the best and whether it covers all themes related to work.(2) A survey will be sent out where we want to get an overview of all possible work problems or questions.(3) Once all work problems or questions have been identified, in-depth interviews will be organized with various stakeholders to identify existing, appropriate guidance initiatives for each problem; or where or to whom one can go for a specific question. This will form the basis for the dashboard where problem is linked to solution. |  |
| **Kind of study** | multicenter |  |
| **Duration of the study***(months/years)*  | 2 years |  |
| **Anticipated number of participants** | 20 in NMSC |  |
| **Start date** | 01/05/2021 |  |
| **Recruitment possible until** | End date recruitment (01/09/2022) |  |
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