**Scientific Research NMSC: running study**

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| **Title study** | COVID-19 survey project from the Special Interest Mobility Group of the European Rehabilitation in Multiple Sclerosis Network (RIMS) |
| **Acronym** (if applicable) |  |
| **Aim of the study** | Establish how the Covid-19 pandemic has affected physiotherapy services for people with MS in terms of access, type of treatment and mode of delivery  |
| **Summary / abstract** (max 200 words)(inclusion/exclusion criteria, intervention(s), outcomes) | The study involves a survey on the experiences about the delivery of physiotherapy practice both before the COVID pandemic and in current times.The online survey for people with MS will be distributed to people with a diagnosis of Multiple Sclerosis through national MS patient networks and social media. The therapist survey will be distributed to physiotherapists who have people with MS in their client group through therapist networks and social media.Inclusion criteria People with MS: Adults with a diagnosis of MS and living in the countries where the survey is distributed are eligible to take part.Therapists: Physiotherapists who responsible for the clinical care of people with MS and live in the countries where the survey is distributed are eligible to take part. |
| **Kind of study** | multicenter |
| **Duration of the study***(months/years)*  | 3 months |
| **Anticipated number of participants** | At least 30 people living with MS and 30 physiotherapists will complete the survey in Belgium. The total sample size (including other countries) is estimated to be between 200-400. |
| **Start date** | 01/05/2021 |
| **Recruitment possible until** | End date of recruitment (30/06/2021) |
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