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Faculty

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Target Audience

This activity has been designed to meet the educational needs of physicians, advanced practice clinicians, nursing professionals, mental health professionals, psychologists, and other members of the healthcare team who manage patients with MS.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this activity participants should be better able to:

- Identify the specific types of pain, the causes and treatment options
- Discuss how mindfulness strategies can be incorporated into a comprehensive pain management strategy
- Implement strategies for monitoring and managing pain
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PSYCHOLOGISTS
Continuing Education (CE) credits for psychologists are provided through the co-sponsorship of the American Psychological Association (APA) Office of Continuing Education in Psychology (CEP) and the Consortium of Multiple Sclerosis Centers (CMSC). The CMSC maintains responsibility for the content of the program. Psychologists completing this course receive 1 continuing education credit.

All other healthcare professionals completing this program will be issued a certificate of participation.

If you have any questions about this activity, please contact the National MS Society at healthprof_info@nmss.org