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Brief Abstract and Title:

Bladder and Bowel Dysfunction in Multiple Sclerosis

Normal anatomy and physiology of the bladder and bowel, and the effect that multiple sclerosis may have on these two systems, will be presented. Prevention and management of the various symptoms will be discussed.

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this presentation participants will:

1. Understand how the bladder and bowel may be affected by multiple sclerosis.
2. Learn important preventative strategies.
3. Recognize that these are very common symptoms that can be managed. Please let your neurologist or nurse know what is happening with your bladder and/or bowel function. We will work together to help improve your quality of life.

Laurel Morrison graduated from the University of Alberta in 1995 with a Bachelors of Science degree in Nursing. She began working at the Multiple Sclerosis Patient Care and Research Clinic in June of 1994. Her role at the MS Clinic as Research/Clinic Nurse involves working with individuals who have been diagnosed with, or are being investigated for, multiple sclerosis. She provides education, guidance, and supportive counselling to clinic patients and their families and has been actively involved in MS clinical research. Laurel has been a member of the International Organization of Multiple Sclerosis Nurses (IOMSN) since 1997, and obtained her Multiple Sclerosis Certified Nurse (MSCN) designation in 2002. Currently, she works at the MS Clinic on a part-time basis to ensure quality time spent at home with her husband and two children.