Early Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Warning Signs and Symptoms

Multiple sclerosis (MS) is an autoimmune inflammatory disease that attacks myelinated axons in the brain and spinal cord (central nervous system), damaging or destroying the myelin and/or the axons (nerve tissue). Sclerosis means abnormal hardening or thickening of tissue, often due to inflammation.



Symptoms of multiple sclerosis in children, teens; and adults are similar, for example:

- [ ] Weakness
- [ ] Fatigue
- [ ] Tingling
- [ ] Blurred vision
- [ ] Pain
- [ ] Other symptoms and signs of MS in children and teens include seizures and/or mental status changes like lethargy.
- [ ] People with MS often suffer intermittent attacks followed by periods of symptom remissions.
- [ ] MS Attacks can last for days or months at a time followed by remissions; some individuals however, may continue to get worse without periods of remission
- [ ] Sexual problems
- [ ] Bladder and bowel problems
- [ ] Speech and swallowing problems
- [ ] Balance, thinking, and emotional problems
- [ ] Vision problems

- [ ] Muscle, movement, and spasticity problems
- [ ] Numbness, tingling, and pain

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