

SPRING 2022 NEWSLETTER

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SPOTLIGHT ON DR. CHARITY EVANS, UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN



Dr. Evans, a researcher who collaborates with the Saskatchewan MS Drugs Research Program, explores healthcare utilization in an MS population. This Saskatchewan study found that increased use of disease-modifying therapies (DMTs) in relapsing-remitting MS was associated with a reduction in hospitalizations over the study period, 1997-2016.

The study examined the number of hospitalizations in both the general and MS populations. DMT use in the MS population was associated with a decrease in hospitalizations, both MS-specific and otherwise. There was no reduction found in the number of physician visits. This study suggests that DMT treatment in relapsing-remitting MS is associated with a reduced need for some healthcare services.

You can find the article here: <https://bit.ly/3osIRRB>

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR MEDS?

- Dr. Evans also leads the medSask Program
- medSask is a non-profit organization located in the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition at the University of Saskatchewan
- Licensed pharmacists answer medication-related questions from consumers and health professionals 365 days a year by phone or email

The medSask team welcomes questions you have about medications, whether MS related or not



Consumer line hours of operation:
Monday to Friday: 9:00 AM - midnight

Weekends and holidays:
5:00 PM - midnight

Toll-free: 1-800-665-3784
(anywhere in Saskatchewan)
306-966-6378 (Saskatoon)

Email: med.sask@usask.ca

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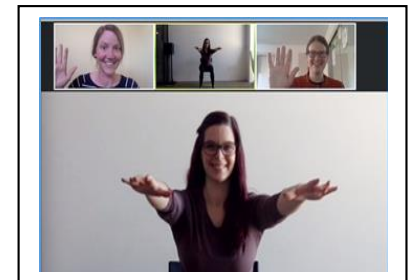
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NeuroSask ACTIVE AND CONNECTED STILL GROWING STRONG!

Led by Drs. Donkers and Knox, NeuroSask continues to provide virtual, physiotherapist-guided movement and a “connect” activity.

- When: Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2:00 PM
- Who: All are welcome to join any portion of the program
- Where: Online; see QR code or web link below



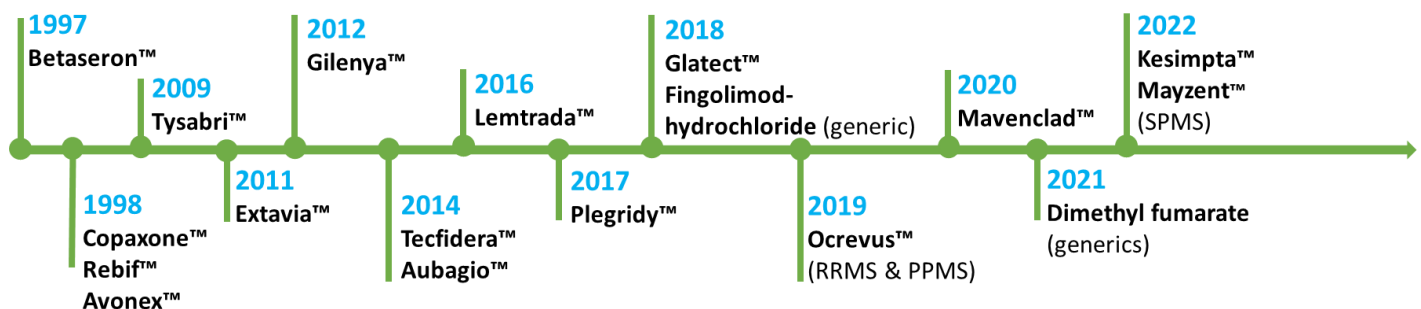
Thank you to all participants for connecting and the MS Society of Canada for their support.



Scan the QR code* at left to visit **NeuroSask: Active and Connected** or type the web link: <https://rehabscience.usask.ca/neurosask/>

* Hover your iPhone camera over the QR code; tap the message that appears. If nothing happens when you hover, install a free QR scanner from your app store.

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Thank you for participating in the Saskatchewan MS Drugs Research Program!

Your support and feedback are invaluable.