



Moving MS Care Forward

MS Awareness Month Highlights Specialized Care in the Downriver Community



March is **Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Awareness Month**, a time dedicated to raising awareness of a complex neurological disease that affects nearly one million people in the U.S.

MS is a chronic disease of the **central nervous system** that affects the brain and spinal cord. Early symptoms may include fatigue, numbness or tingling, balance difficulties, vision changes, weakness, and cognitive challenges. Because MS presents differently in each person, **early neurological evaluation is important for accurate diagnosis and timely treatment.**

Residents of the Downriver community have access to specialized MS care through the **Michigan Institute for Neurological Disorders (MIND) Riverview Center**, located at **14750 King Road in Riverview.**

Dr. Jonathan Doty, a board-certified neurologist and fellowship-trained MS specialist who grew up in the Downriver community, is among the physicians seeing patients at the MIND Riverview Center. He is part of the **MIND Multiple Sclerosis Center**, led by **Dr. Martin Belkin**, the program’s Medical Director, which cares for **more than 5,500 MS patients annually.**

“As someone who grew up Downriver, it’s meaningful to provide specialized MS care close to home. MS affects everyone differently, which is why early evaluation, consistent follow-up, and individualized treatment planning are so important.”

– Dr. Jonathan Doty, MIND

Coordinated MS Care Close to Home

The MIND Riverview Center provides comprehensive neurological evaluation and ongoing management for patients with MS and other neurological conditions. Patients have access to on-site infusion therapies for MS and related neurological disorders, as well as advanced neurological testing, including EEG and EMG.

Additional specialized diagnostics, including **advanced MRI imaging**, are available at MIND’s main campus in Farmington Hills, where patients may also have access to clinical research opportunities studying emerging MS therapies and neurological treatments.

Possible Early Signs of Multiple Sclerosis

- Persistent fatigue
- Numbness or tingling
- Balance or coordination problems
- Vision changes
- Weakness in an arm or leg
- Changes in bladder control
- Cognitive changes



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