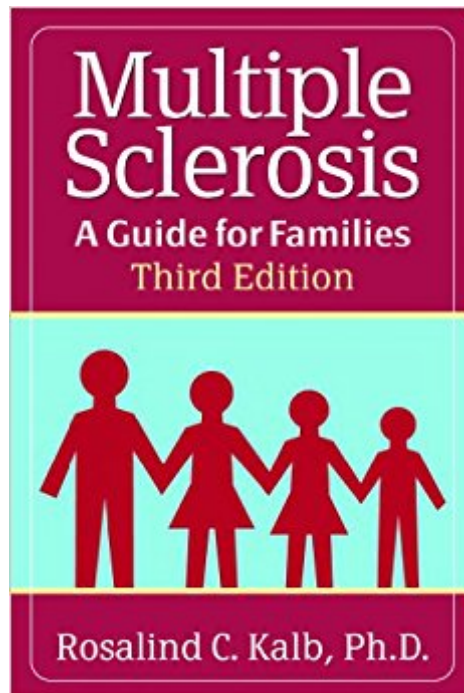




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Multiple Sclerosis: A Guide For Families



Synopsis

Because most people who are diagnosed with MS are between the ages of 15-55 years, the disease has a significant impact, not only on the individual with the disease, but also on the family members and loved ones whose lives are interwoven with them. Families experiencing multiple sclerosis often find themselves in uncharted territory. Prior patterns of interacting with each other may no longer work roles often shift with dramatic emotional impact guilt, anger, sadness, and a sense of burden may create a barrier to intimacy, joy, growth, and family unity. There are ways out of this debilitating situation, and many families have restored their balance, humor, productivity and family solidarity. Multiple Sclerosis: A Guide for Families can lead the way for your family to strengthen its coping skills and to receive targeted information about the disease and its ramifications. This complete yet highly readable guide for families living with multiple sclerosis addresses these issues and more. Families must learn how to strike a reasonable balance between the interests and needs of its members, and to accommodate the limitations imposed by MS without allowing them to impact every aspect of family life. This is easier said than done, and extensive discussions consider how the basic goals of living with this chronic disease can be met."

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"...exceptionally reader-friendly...a good resource for professionals as well as lay readers...Each chapter provides excellent additional readings, and there is an appendix of recommended resources. I highly recommend this invaluable guide. "-- Inside MS"...This practical, complete, and

highly readable guide is must reading for anyone confronting this debilitating illness personally or in a loved one." -- The Bookwatch"...a complete, highly readable guide that addresses all of the issues multiple sclerosis brings to the family....essential, critically important reading for anyone with MS, their families and their friends." -- The Midwest Book Review"...will help MS sufferers and their loved ones prepare for the impact of MS, keep the lines of communication open, devise coping strategies, and give MS no more space in the household than it needs." --PA Today (PA Today 20100503)

Dr. Rosalind Kalb, a clinical psychologist, is Director of the Professional Resource Center at the National Multiple Sclerosis Society in New York, where she develops and provides educational and consultation services to clinicians who care for people with MS. In her private clinical practice, she specializes in the needs of individuals and families living with chronic illness and disability. She serves on the editorial board of several publications, including the International Journal of MS Care.

SETS ANYONE DEALING WITH MS BACK! I was diagnosed a few years back and have read ALOT of information on MS. This book is pecimistic, to say the least. Any one newly diagnosed would be scared to death after reading this book! The info it puts forward would make patient doubt him/herself, and make the family want to lock up the MS victim. Maybe read this book after you read more positive and helpful books. This should not be at the top ANYONES reading list. It sounds like it was written by a burnt out caregiver whose patient was violent before Dx. HORRIBLE, SCARY info. Not to say some couldn't happen, but this book presents MS as something that turns you into an uncontrollable monster.

Great book

Now in a newly updated and expanded third edition, *Multiple Sclerosis: A Guide For Families* by clinical psychologist Rosalind C. Kalb (Director of the Professional Resource Center, National Multiple Sclerosis Society, New York) is a thoroughly "user friendly" compendium of information, advice and resources for families having to deal with this debilitating and progressive disease. Of special note are two new chapter editions: "Planning for Possible Care Needs" and "Parenting A Child Or Teen with MS". *Multiple Sclerosis: A Guide For Families* draws upon specialists from the fields of neurology, general medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, psychology, social work, law, and people with MS. Enhanced with a comprehensive list of readings and resource, this is the primary resource most especially recommended for non-specialist general readers having to deal with MS

issues.

By addressing issues such as sex and emotions, Rosalind Kalb has made it possible for people to use this book as reference to discuss topics with their families and spouses that may be difficult. Not only was this book helpful for me, it aided my husband and family in understanding the challenges a person with MS faces on a daily basis, some of which may be undetectable to the human eye. This book provided my husband and family with a way to adapt to the new parts they would play in our relationships because of the MS. I recommend each person with MS hand this book to their family, friends and spouse, then quietly walk away.

Having recently been diagnosed with MS, this book was very informative. Everything from symptoms, family situations, insurance information, to emotional and physical issues, finances, and life planning information. I really recommend this book to anyone diagnosed, or anyone having a family member or friend diagnosed, with MS.

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