July 2021 iConquerMS Spotlight

**Share your experiences with COVID-19 vaccines**

The current guidance on COVID-19 vaccination for people with MS from the National MS Society is based on data from the general population in the vaccine clinical trials and data from studies of other vaccines administered to people with MS. We do not know how many people in the vaccine clinical trials had MS. Data on the experiences of people with MS who have received these vaccines is still becoming available. The [COVER-MS study](https://www.mscoverstudy.org) (COVID-19 VaccinE Response in MS) is underway to collect this valuable information. This study is a collaboration between the iConquerMS team, and researchers at Case Western Reserve University and Massachusetts General Hospital, and is funded by the National MS Society.

All adults affected by MS are eligible (21 or older) and welcome to participate. Subjects will be asked to complete a few short surveys on the iConquerMS portal at different timepoints. These surveys contain questions about demographics, MS characteristics,
COVID-19 infection, COVID-19 vaccines received, reactions to them, and any MS symptoms experienced before and after vaccination. The data collected will provide a better understanding of the short- and longer-term effects of the vaccines in the MS population.

Real-world data from COVER-MS will complement the available guidance and provide additional assurance for those with MS who are planning to get vaccinated. If you are an iConquerMS member that has received a COVID-19 vaccine, please login today and share your experience by clicking on “Participate in the COVID-19 Vaccination Study.” Not yet a member? Please join iConquerMS now and power research with your data!