

Joint in-between SIG meeting Melsbroek (November 18-19th 2011)

Dear colleague,

As earlier announced, we have planned an in-between meeting in November, 18-19, 2011 focusing on the multidisciplinary approach for assessment and management of cognitive disorders in people with MS.

The aims of this meeting are:

1. to compose a list of cognitive 'red flags', that is, of demographic, disease related, clinical and imagery variables that, according to scientific research, significantly relate to MS-related cognitive deficits.
2. to list cognition-related observations that typically can be made in each discipline. What are the observations of a therapist while doing his clinical work and how can these observations be related to MS-related cognitive deficits?
3. to determine what should be the content of an optimal neuropsychological report. To which questions should a neuropsychological report provide answers? What kind of cognitive information do you need for your clinical work with patients?

The meeting will be a joint meeting of SIG Communication & Swallowing, SIG Integration & Participation, SIG Occupation and SIG Psychology & Neuropsychology, and takes place in Melsbroek (Belgium).

The meeting will be organized in one day joint-meeting on the theme and one day separate SIG meetings (with possibility for all involved SIG's to continue their long-term work). See attached file for the complete programme. All SIG members will be asked to prepare the meeting, so we can have an interactive forum during the meeting (communication on this will follow within the next weeks).

For the separate SIG Occupation meeting, please find the document enclosed with proposed and requested ideas.

As usual, we will cover the meeting attendance, accommodation, lunches and social events costs for RIMS members.

Travel costs are at your expenses.

For non RIMS members, we only cover the lunches and the meeting attendance.

Would you like to participate in joining this meeting? Please complete the registration form attached before October 15 2011 via email or fax.

Looking forward to hearing from you!

The Melsbroek Team