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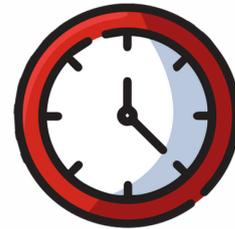
FAST FACTS ABOUT MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS (MS)

Every dollar you raise will help stop MS in its tracks.

Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is the result of damage to myelin – a protective sheath surrounding nerve fibres of the central nervous system. When myelin is damaged, this interferes with messages between the brain and other parts of the body.



Over **37,700 Australians** have MS and **3 out of 4** of those are women.



Every **5 minutes someone, somewhere** in the world is diagnosed with MS



MS is most commonly diagnosed between **20 – 40 years** old.



2.9 million people worldwide are living with MS.



1 in 3 Australians will be directly impacted through a diagnosed family member, friend or colleague.



Every case of **MS is different** – the progress, severity and specific symptoms of MS are different for everyone.