Join our new Global Online Support Hub (GOSH), a free video-chat platform for patients with neurological diseases. The HUB connects people around the world via a web-based-portal, in addition to free downloadable Apple and Android apps enabling mobility-limited patients to privately connect with others, in multi-language disease-specific and special interest patient groups. For more info visit: www.BrainPatient.org

Please help those suffering with MSA!

Make checks payable: 
Defeat MSA
29924 Jefferson Ave.
St. Clair Shores, MI 48082

Email: info@DefeatMSA.org

March is MSA Month
February 28th is Rare Disease Day
May is our Fundraiser Month

Visit Our Website
www.DefeatMSA.org

Call Our Toll Free Help Line:
1 (855) KICK-MSA
1 (855) 542-5672

www.DefeatMSA.org

501(c)(3) 
A NonProfit Public Charity
What is MSA?

Multiple System Atrophy is a rare rapidly progressing neurodegenerative disorder. MSA impairs the systems that regulate blood pressure, heart rate and bladder—many of the basic bodily functions that people take for granted every day.

People with MSA suffer from dangerously low blood pressure, speech and swallowing difficulties, sleep disturbances, breathing problems, rigidity and tremors. The life expectancy for those with MSA is typically 5-10 years. Patients with advanced MSA often become bedridden, unable to speak and completely immobile.

At present, there is no cure for MSA, no genetic tests to detect it and very few treatments to manage its debilitating effects.

Our Mission

Realizing that much of the current attention is focused on more widely known diseases, Multiple System Atrophy is overlooked. MSA patients are confronted with a dim prognosis and left with few options.

Defeat MSA aims to increase AWARENESS, help ALLEVIATE suffering from MSA and ADVANCE research towards a cure!

Research Advisors

Pratik D. Bhattacharya, MD, MPH
Neurology, St. Joseph Mercy
Pontiac, MI

Edwin B. George, II, MD, PhD
Director, Movement Disorders, Wayne State
Detroit, MI

Wouter Peelaerts, MS, PhD
Patrik Brundin Laboratory,
Van Andel Institute (Fulbright Awardee, 2017-2018)

*For MSA Research Grant Awards, volunteer adjunct experts provide additional help reviewing research proposals.

NEW: DEFEAT MSA CLINICAL TRIALS FUND
- SUPPORT FASTER ACCESS and REPURPOSE EXISTING DRUGS
- DONATE - DEFEAT MSA NOW!

A seed hidden in the heart of an apple is an orchard invisible.
-Kahlil Gibran

Board of Directors

Pratik D. Bhattacharya, MD, MPH
Neurology, St Joseph Mercy Oakland
Pontiac, Michigan

Patricia Baylan
MSA Caregiver Representative
Charity Executive Assistant
Monroe, Michigan

Kathleen Brennan, MS OT

Philip M. Fortier, MA
Department of Philosophy,
University of Detroit Mercy
Detroit, Michigan

Margaret MacLachlan, MA CCC-SLP
Spectrum Health
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Darlene Serazio Steenholt
Serazio Design, Inc.
St. Clair Shores, Michigan

John Scharfenkamp, MA LLP
Mary Jane Scharfenkamp
Clarkston, Michigan

Charlene Soleau
MSA Patient Advocate
Fraser, Michigan

Corey Whittlesey-Sutton
MSA Caregiver Representative
Redford, Michigan

Kym Thompson
MSA Caregiver Advisor/Social Media Advisor,
Baldwin, Wisconsin