Established in collaboration with the National Multiple Sclerosis Society New Jersey Metro Chapter, the Center has been designated as a Center for Comprehensive MS Care by the National MS Society.

The National MS Society provides this designation to distinguish centers that have "shown the ability to offer a multi-disciplinary model of care to address the often complex needs of many people with MS." As a recognized Center for Comprehensive MS Care, The Robert Wood Johnson Center for MS offers patients access to a full range of medical, psycho-social and rehabilitation services in a team-based, coordinated environment.

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Directions
From the N.J. Turnpike: Take Exit 9 (New Brunswick) and proceed to Route 18 North. Continue on Route 18 North about two miles to Route 27 South (Princeton Exit). Follow Route 27 past the New Brunswick train station. At this point, Route 27 becomes French Street. After passing the train trestle, then the skywalk, turn left at the light onto Paterson Street. Parking is available in the Paterson Street Parking Deck (hourly rates); the entrance will be on the right side of the street. Valet parking is available for an additional fee at the drop-off area to the CAB building.

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MS is believed to affect more than 2.3 million people worldwide, with most people diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 50.
Diagnosis
Many neurological diseases can look like MS. Thus, care for MS begins with a timely and accurate diagnosis. Our center provides the tools needed to arrive at a correct diagnosis, including:
- Clinical evaluation by MS-trained neurologists
- Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)
- Spinal fluid analysis
- Evoked potentials
- Neuro-ophthalmologic evaluation
- Urologic (bladder dysfunction) studies
- Neuropsychological evaluation
- Pediatric MS services

Treatment and Comprehensive Care
The center provides therapies approved for the treatment of MS at different stages of the disease. We believe in a team approach to MS care. This includes disease-modifying therapies, physical therapy, and treatment of pain, bladder dysfunction and spasticity.

Clinical Research
- Identification of predictors of treatment response
- Triggers of MS relapses
- Clinical trials

Basic Research
- Causes of MS
- Mechanisms of action of MS therapies
- Stem cell therapy in animal models of MS
- Role of infectious triggers in MS
- Immunology of pediatric MS

Clinical Patient Care
Our goal is also to promote education on MS-related issues in collaboration with the National MS Society New Jersey Metro Chapter through seminars and focus groups, regional and national educational symposia, and training of medical students, residents and fellows in MS care and research.

Research
- Installed in May 2007, the Sculpture of Hope is displayed in the hallway of Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, near the bridge to the medical school’s Clinical Academic Building. It was established as a joint project of the hospital, the National MS Society New Jersey Metro Chapter, and Women Against MS, which is designed to raise awareness of MS and raise funding for local programs and services, as well as accelerate the national research effort. To support this project, send your donation (with “Sculpture of Hope” in the memo line) to the National MS Society New Jersey Metro Chapter at Aspen Corporate Park 1, 1480 U.S. Highway 9 North, Suite 301, Woodbridge, NJ 07095; or, call the chapter’s senior director of development at 212-453-3274.

To contribute directly toward the RWJ Center for MS, please send checks payable to Rutgers University Foundation to: 120 Albany Street Plaza, Suite 250, New Brunswick, NJ 08901.

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