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Upon completion of this program, the learner will:

1. Incorporate assessment of psychosocial factors associated with multiple sclerosis into a system of comprehensive monitoring throughout a patient's lifetime with the disease.

2. Develop dynamic nursing strategies to address emotional issues that arise throughout a patient's life as a result of the ever-changing picture of MS.