

Week 5

Responding to presentations of MND

Work through this week's learning material to explore different models of MDT care and reflect on how various approaches can support coordinated care for people living with MND.

This week, you will explore different models of MDT care and consider how each approach can support effective care for people living with MND.

Start by watching this short video introduction from Sally Mercer, which outlines the focus of this week's learning.

Focus questions

- How might you approach individual cases of MND?
- What are the similarities and differences between MDT models in practice?
- Are there lessons you could take back to your own team?

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PQADjKgkWyl>

Recommended reading

Good coordination is essential for effective care, but it can be achieved in different ways. MDT models may be formal or informal, specialist or community based, and may vary depending on local geography, resources and service structure.

Formal models include MND care centres, which are specialist multidisciplinary clinics usually based in hospitals, and MND care networks, which often cover larger or more rural areas through a combination of clinics, outpatient services and community support.

There are also specialist MDT clinics not funded by the MND Association, as well as community based teams. These teams vary in structure and may include different levels of input from hospitals, hospices and community services. Some may work without a dedicated coordinator role.

Although these models differ, each aims to provide coordinated, responsive and effective care for people living with MND. Their approaches are shaped by local context, and each model can offer valuable learning.

Essential reading

[Models of care in MND. Final report to the Motor Neurone Disease Association](#)