Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a disease of the central nervous system, that affects young adults. Although it's often disabling, it isn't fatal. Here are some key points.

- **1. Cause:** While the exact cause remains unknown, medical opinion suggests an abnormal immune response that leads the body to attack its myelin (the protective layer around nerve fibers). This process called demyelination, results in abnormal nerve signaling and MS symptoms.
- 2. **Symptoms:** MS Symptoms vary but can include loss of balance, blurred vision, tremors, fatigue, memory difficulties, and paralysis. Each person experiences the disease differently.
- **3. PVA Supports:** The **Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA)** actively assists Veterans with MS. They help navigate VA Benefits, connect individuals to resources, and offer community support. PVA recently expanded its membership to include all Veterans and MS which help with providing vital benefits.

More information at <u>Www.PVA</u>,org