Improving Access to Genetic Services for Underserved Populations- *Updates from the NCC*

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Core Focus Areas of NCC

- Genetics and Genomics Education
- Telegenetics
- Data Collection and Evaluation
- Genetics Policy Education
Genetics and Genomics Education 2023 Updates
Clinical decision support tool for non-genetics providers.

New Updates

ACT Sheets
- 24 Updated ACT Sheets
- 4 New ACT Sheets
- 24 Updated Algorithms
- 8 New Algorithms

Animated CME Video to accompany ACT Sheets:
- SMA, X-ALD, MPS I available now
New Updates

In addition to the trainings NCC supports, the healthcare interpreter training program has been expanded to include a new curriculum (Interpreting for Cancer Genetics) and we have published the curricula glossaries in nine languages.
Other Educational Activities

Medical Necessity Webinar Series
Available Now!

Genetics Workshop for PAs
Available online through AAPA

Evidence-Based Guideline Webinar Series
First One Available Now!

https://nccrcg.org/educational-modules/
Policy Resources

- **300+** Proposed Legislation/Regulation Tracked
- **54** State Medicaid Genetics Programs
- **25+** Policy Areas
  - Including policy statements from national genetics organizations.
- General Policy Resources

[geneticspolicy.nccrg.org](http://geneticspolicy.nccrg.org)
Every other month, the GPH Webinar Series is held to discuss popular genetics policy topics.
Workforce Assessment Efforts
This spring, NCC published *The 2019 medical genetics workforce: A focus on laboratory geneticists.*
Objective

Disseminate a workforce survey in 2023 to geneticists, metabolic dietitians, genetic nurses, and physician assistants to assess the capacity of the workforce.

Questions

Demographics
Position Characteristics
Practice Characteristics

Surveyed Providers

- Geneticist
- Genetic Counselors
- Genetic Nurses
- Genetic PAs
- Metabolic Dietitians
Other Major Activities of the NCC
Find a Genetics Clinic

ACMG’s “Find a Genetics Clinic” allows individuals to search for genetics clinics across the United States. The directory contains the locations of genetics clinics that have requested to be listed.

Search by Clinic Name or Location.
Example: "Cancer West" or "Miami, FL"

[Map of the United States with marked clinics]

1300 clinic(s) found. Showing 1 to 20

Amherst Center
Roswell Park
Clinic Type: Outpatient Clinic
https://www.roswellpark.org/become-patient/locations/amherst-center
100 College Parkway
Willimantic, NY 12221

Cancer Center
Community Medical Center - NYU/Sunyos Health
Clinic Type: Outpatient Clinic
https://www.nvhospital.org/community-medical-center/outpatient-care/genetics-counseling/
49 Highway 29 West

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