



The 7th Annual Virginia Genetics Education Conference

Monday, May 20, 2013
Crowne Plaza
Williamsburg, Virginia

Purpose: To provide a venue for Virginia genetic counselors and other associated professionals to discuss current issues and topics in genetics, to learn about the variety of state programs and available resources and to form a better network of communication.

Learning Objectives: The participants will be able to:

1. Summarize NexGen cancer testing panels and how to implement these into practice.
2. Explain implications of grey zone results in Huntington's disease and identify ethical concerns for testing of minors.
3. Discuss the technical aspect of universal carrier screening and summarize the availability, benefits and limitations of this testing.
4. Understand current status of licensure in Virginia and what the next steps should be for passage of a bill.
5. Incorporate complex concepts of non-invasive prenatal testing into clinical practice.
6. Develop awareness of perinatal hospice programs in Virginia and recognize benefits of this service in the prenatal practice.
7. Discuss the new ACMG recommendations regarding incidental findings associated with whole genome sequencing and how they may impact consent and result and disclosure.
8. Assess advantages of and barriers to billing for genetic counseling assimilate updates in Medicaid/Medicare billing and reimbursement into clinical practice.

Registration: A registration fee of \$20.00 for full VaAGC members, \$10.00 for student members and \$50.00 for non-members is due at the time of registration.

Accommodations: Hotel rooms have been blocked at a special rate of \$89.00 per night at the Crown Plaza Williamsburg. Please call 1-877-2CROWNE and mention "State Genetics Meeting" when booking.

CEUs: This event has been submitted to the National Society of Genetic Counselors (NSGC) for approval of Category 1 CEUs. The American Board of Genetic Counseling (ABGC) accepts CEUs approved by NSGC for purposes of recertification. Approval for the requested CEUs and Contact Hours is currently pending. A separate fee of \$25.00 is due for CEU registration. Genetic counselors may register for CEUs prior to the meeting or on-site the day of the conference.

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

7:30am - 8:20am	REGISTRATION/BREAKFAST	
8:20am-8:30am	Presidential Address: Welcoming Remarks and Updates	Christine Seward, MS, CGC
8:30am-9:30am	A New Approach to the Assessment of Hereditary Cancer Risk Assessment: The Cancer Gene Panel	Virginia Speare, PhD, CGC
9:30am-10:15am	Understanding the Current Climate of Licensure in Virginia	John Richardson
10:15am-10:30am	<i>Break</i>	
10:30am-11:30am	Updates in Universal Carrier Screening	Rachel Klein, MS, CGC
11:30am-12:15pm	Overview of Perinatal Hospice Services	Brittney Twisdale, LCSW Catina Davis, MSW, CSAC
12:15pm-1:15pm	LUNCH	
1:15pm-2:15pm	NIPT: A Discussion of Case Reports	Elizabeth Valenti, MS, CGC
2:15pm-3:15pm	Secondary Findings in Whole Exome Sequencing: A Panel Discussion	Cheryl Scacheri, MS, CGC Elizabeth Chisholm, MS,CGC Matt Thomas, MS, CGC
3:15pm-3:30pm	<i>Break</i>	
3:30pm-4:15pm	Huntington's Disease Testing in Minors	Virginia Norris, MS, CGC
4:15pm - 4:45pm	Billing and Reimbursement for Genetic Counseling in Virginia	Matt Thomas, MS, CGC

*****Meeting Adjournment*****

Speakers

Christine Seward, MS, CGC - *President, Virginia Association of Genetic Counselors*
Virginia Speare, PhD, CGC - *Genetic Specialist, Ambry Genetics, Aliso Viejo, California*
John Richardson - *Director of Policy and Government Relations, National Society of Genetic Counselors*
Rachel Klein, MS, CGC - *Genetic Counseling Program Manager, GenPath, Elmwood Park, New Jersey*
Brittney Twisdale, LCSW - *Clinical Social Worker, Edmarc Perinatal Hospice, Portsmouth, Virginia*
Catina Davis, MSW - *Social Worker, Edmarc Perinatal Hospice, Portsmouth, Virginia*
Elizabeth Valenti, MS, CGC - *Medical Science Liaison, Natera, San Carlos, California*
Matt Thomas, MS, CGC - *Genetic Counselor, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia*
Cheryl Sacchari, MS, CGC - *Medical Science Liaison, GeneDx, Gaithersburg, Maryland*
Elizabeth Chisholm, MS, CGC - *Genetic Counselor, Children's Hospital of the Kings Daughters, Norfolk, Virginia*
Ginger Norris, MS, CGC - *Virginia Commonwealth University Parkinson's and Movement Disorders
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