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## American College of Medical Genetics Announces Dates and Location for the 2013 and 2014 ACMG Annual Meetings

BETHESDA, MD - June 28, 2011 | The American College of Medical Genetics (ACMG) is pleased to announce that Phoenix, Arizona has been selected as the destination for the 2013 ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting and Nashville, Tennessee has been selected as the destination for the 2014 ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting. The Sheraton Phoenix will serve as headquarters hotel in 2013 and the Omni Nashville will be the headquarters hotel in 2014.

Wayne Grody, MD, PhD, FACMG, ACMG President commented, "We are excited to be returning to two cities that previously hosted successful ACMG meetings in 2007 and 2008. As the Annual Meeting has continued to grow over the last several years, we have visited some beautiful and exciting cities and it will be nice to return to those that attendees enjoyed."

"Downtown Phoenix has undergone a metamorphosis that includes a newly expanded Phoenix Convention Center, a new 1,000-room Sheraton Phoenix Downtown Hotel, and a light-rail system that connects meeting attendees to a new world of dining and entertainment options since the ACMG met there in 2008", reported Jane Dahlroth, CEM, CMP, ACMG's Meeting and Exhibits Manager. "Additionally Nashville will also offer up a new experience with a brand new convention center – the Music City Center and new headquarters hotel – the Omni Nashville Hotel. Both are slated to open in 2013, and are located just a block south of the Broadway honky tonks and many restaurants that Nashville has to offer."

The dates of the 2013 meeting will be March 19-23 and the dates of the 2014 meeting will be March 25-29. Beginning in 2012 – the ACMG meeting will start on Tuesday and end on Saturday.

## **About the American College of Medical Genetics**

Founded in 1991, the American College of Medical Genetics (www.acmg.net) advances the practice of medical genetics by providing education, resources and a voice for more than 1400 biochemical, clinical, cytogenetic, medical and molecular geneticists, genetic counselors and other healthcare professionals committed to the practice of medical genetics. ACMG's activities include the development of laboratory and practice standards and guidelines, advocating for quality genetic services in healthcare and in public health, and promoting the development of methods to diagnose, treat and prevent genetic disease. *Genetics in Medicine*, published monthly, is the official ACMG peer-reviewed journal. ACMG's website (www.acmg.net) offers a variety of resources including Policy Statements, Practice

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Guidelines, Educational Resources, and a Find a Geneticist tool. The educational and public health programs of the American College of Medical Genetics are dependent upon charitable gifts from corporations, foundations, and individuals. **The American College of Medical Genetics Foundation** (www.acmgfoundation.org) is a 501(c) (3) not-for-profit organization dedicated to funding the College's diverse efforts to translate genes into health.

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