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Media Alert: Complimentary Press Registration is Now Open for the ACMG 2015 Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting

Do you cover genetics, genomics, healthcare or medicine?

Health, science and genetics media are invited to register now for the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting, March 24-28, 2015 in Salt Lake City.

From Secondary Findings to Whole Genome/Exome Sequencing to Cancer Genetics and Reproductive Genetics, the focus of the ACMG Meeting is on the actual **practice of genetics and genomics in healthcare today and in the future**. The conference will showcase the latest breakthroughs in genetics research and its practical, clinical applications to medical practice, patient care and public health.

Reporters will hear about the latest medical genetics research; have the opportunity to interact with doctors, laboratory professionals and genetic counselors about what is happening right now in genetics and genomics; and view the latest products available in the extensive exhibit hall.

Two Genetics Short Courses on Tuesday, March 24:

- Cancer Genetics: Translation of New Concepts to Clinical Care
- Clinical Exome Sequencing

Program Highlights:

- The Next Generation of Genomic Testing: Billing and Reimbursement in the Genomic Era
- Genetics of Sudden Cardiac Death and Heart Failure in Adolescents and Young Adults
- Genomics for the Healthy
- Molecular Diagnostics of Cancer
- Reproductive Genetics

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- The Next Generation of Genomic Testing
- Prenatal and Perinatal Diagnostic Dilemmas
- Frontline Experiences in Obtaining Informed Consent for Genomic Sequencing

To see the complete program, visit www.acmgmeeting.net.

Topics range from common conditions to rare diseases and from ethical to technological issues. Sessions include information of interest to the general public, to health professionals and to the industry/trade.

The ACMG Meeting is the genetics meeting **most focused on the practical applications of genetic discoveries in the clinical setting**. The 2014 Meeting shattered records with a record number of abstracts submitted; and attendee registration and exhibitors were at an all-time high.

Photo/TV Opportunity: The ACMG Foundation will present bicycles to local children with rare genetic diseases at the Annual Day of Caring at the Annual Meeting.

Credentialed media representatives on assignment are invited to attend the ACMG Annual Meeting on a complimentary basis. Contact Kathy Ridgely Beal, MBA at kbeal@acmg.net for the Press Registration Access Code.

Social Media for the 2015 ACMG Annual Meeting: As the ACMG Meeting approaches, journalists can stay up-to-date on new sessions and information by following the ACMG Social Media pages on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) and by using the Twitter hashtag **#ACMGmtg** for Meeting-related tweets.

About the ACMG and ACMG Foundation

Founded in 1991, the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (www.acmg.net) advances the practice of medical genetics and genomics by providing education, resources and a voice for more than 1750 biochemical, clinical, cytogenetic, medical and molecular geneticists, genetic counselors and other healthcare professionals, nearly 80% of whom are board certified in the medical genetics specialties. ACMG is the only nationally recognized medical organization dedicated to improving health through the practice of medical genetics and genomics. The College's mission includes the following goals: 1) to define and promote excellence in the practice of medical genetics and genomics and to facilitate the integration of new research discoveries into medical practice; 2) to provide medical genetics and genomics education to fellow professionals, other healthcare providers, and the public; 3) to improve access to medical genetics and genomics services and to promote their integration into all of medicine; and 4) to serve as advocates for providers of medical genetics and genomics services and their patients. *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 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 through the ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine (www.acmgfoundation.org.)