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## The American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (ACMG) Announces Search for Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

**BETHESDA, MD** – **January 11, 2019** | The American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (ACMG) announced today they have initiated a search for a Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The newly-created position is being established as part of an ambitious new ACMG strategic plan being launched in 2019.

The current ACMG Executive Director, Michael S. Watson, PhD, FACMG will continue with ACMG during the search and will help facilitate the transition to the new CEO as well as continue working with its major grants.

ACMG President Louanne Hudgins, MD, FACMG and chair of the CEO Search Committee said, "ACMG is taking this new direction with a search for an MD CEO to deal with many of the practice-related issues we as genetics providers face every day. With a strong ACMG staff, new and forward-thinking strategic plan, dedicated board of directors, record high ACMG membership, and highly successful *Genetics in Medicine* journal, ACMG is well-positioned for the future. ACMG is an outstanding organization and will continue to lead the integration of genomic medicine into healthcare and represent the entire medical genetics team including clinical and laboratory geneticists and genetic counselors. We look forward to welcoming a new physician CEO in 2019 to oversee implementation of our new strategic plan and to continue the exceptional work of the College."

The full position description and instructions for applicants is available <u>here</u>.

## About the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (ACMG) and ACMG Foundation

Founded in 1991, ACMG is the only nationally recognized medical society dedicated to improving health through the clinical practice of medical genetics and genomics. The American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (<a href="www.acmg.net">www.acmg.net</a>) provides education, resources and a voice for more than 2,200 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. The College's mission is to develop and sustain genetic initiatives in clinical and laboratory practice, education and advocacy.

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Three guiding pillars underpin ACMG's work: 1) Clinical and Laboratory Practice 2) Education and 3) Advocacy. *Genetics in Medicine*, published monthly, is the official ACMG peer-reviewed journal. ACMG's website (<a href="www.acmg.net">www.acmg.net</a>) offers a variety of resources including Policy Statements, Practice Guidelines, Educational Resources, and a Find Genetic Services tool. The educational and public health programs of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics are dependent upon charitable gifts from corporations, foundations, and individuals through the ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine.

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