



Translating Genes Into Health®

From Research to Clinical Care:

Delivering the Promise of Genetic and Genomic Medicine

Your Profession. Your Organization.

Keeping current on the latest advances in medical and clinical genetics can take every minute of your time; so can responding to the constant changes in healthcare policy that affect your clinical or laboratory practice. The American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics can help.

The ACMG is the largest professional association of medical geneticists in the United States. Join today and start enjoying the benefits of membership.

ACMG Supports Your Practice

The ACMG supports all of its members, MDs, PhDs, genetic counselors and others, in all settings, academic, community-based, group and commercial practices. Members receive cutting edge news and educational opportunities; practice guidelines; policy statements; resources; and advocacy.

ACMG Represents Your Interests

The ACMG is a not-for-profit organization whose membership is composed of professionals engaged in the practice of medical and clinical genetics. As its membership grows, ACMG is increasingly recognized for its expertise in issues concerning medical genetics and genetic services. The efforts of the College help ensure that:

- Medical genetics interests and expertise are fostered and promoted nationally
- Challenges faced by academic health centers due to reduced clinical revenue from Medicare, Medicaid, grants and managed care are represented
- Guidelines, clinical tools, educational programs and resources that promote early diagnosis and treatment of genetic diseases are available
- Medical genetics issues receive attention from agencies such as the CDC, FDA, and CMS
- Research agendas relevant to medical genetics are advanced through the NIH and other public health research agencies





ACMG Your Professional Partner in the Practice of

Advancing Medical Genetics and Genomics Through a Powerful Professional Network

ACMG Committees: Shaping the Future of Medical Genetics

Much of the work of the ACMG is done by its committees and work groups, on which members are eligible to serve. ACMG committees and work groups focus on education and accreditation for Continuing Medical Education (CME); economics of genetics services; therapeutics; public health genetics; quality assurance for laboratory practice; social, ethical and legal issues; and standards and guidelines for clinical and laboratory practice.

CPT Coding and Reimbursement for Genetic Services

Through the AMA's Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Committee, the ACMG participates in the proposal of new CPT codes, reviews CPT codes for clinical and laboratory genetics proposed by others, and works to update CPT codes for clinical services. ACMG is also involved in the RBRVS (Resource Based Relative Value Scale) Update Committee (RUC) that determines reimbursement for clinical services.

ACMG and the AMA House of Delegates

As a full member of the AMA House of Delegates, the ACMG represents the interests and expertise of medical geneticists on a national level.

Promoting the Highest Standards of Clinical Care in Medical Genetics and Genomics

Policy Statements, Position Papers and Practice Guidelines

ACMG publishes numerous policy and position papers and clinical and laboratory practice guidelines, including:

- Newborn Screening: Toward a Uniform Screening Panel and System
- Assessment, Counseling and Testing Guidelines for Breast and Ovarian Cancer
- Genetic Testing for Colon Cancer
- Laboratory Standards and Guidelines for Cystic Fibrosis Carrier Screening
- Evaluation of the Newborn with Single or Multiple Congenital Anomalies
- Universal Newborn Hearing Screening
- Diagnostic Testing for Uniparental Disomy
- Factor V Leiden Mutation Testing
- Technical and Clinical Assessment of FISH
- Technical Standards and Guidelines for Fragile X Testing
- Gene Patents and Accessibility for Gene Testing

Offering News and Resources You Can Use

ACMG Publications: *Genetics in Medicine*, *The ACMG Medical Geneticist* and *ACMG-In-Action*

Membership in the ACMG includes a 1-year subscription, with online access, to *Genetics in Medicine* (GIM), ACMG's official journal. GIM publishes peer-reviewed papers on medical genetics and genomics, ACMG policy statements and practice guidelines, committee reports, and news of College



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activities. Members also receive *The ACMG Medical Geneticist*, ACMG's quarterly electronic newsletter and *ACMG-in-Action*, ACMG's monthly e-zine.

ACMG Online: www.acmg.net

ACMG's website provides resources for practitioners and the public. The new Online Learning Center and Using Databases to Interpret Cytogenomic Arrays program provide convenient and cost effective CME. The exclusive members-only section provides access to member-focused tools and information including member news; draft ACMG documents for member comment; member surveys; and ACMG's e-commerce store for ACMG products and dues payment.

ACMG's Find a Member and Find Genetic Services Directories

ACMG's online membership and genetic services directories allows patients and providers to locate ACMG members and providers of genetic services around the world, facilitating clinical, research and educational activities.

Continuing Medical Education Accreditation

The ACMG is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide Continuing Medical Education (CME) for physicians. The College also offers Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for genetic counselors and nurses through the American Counseling Association.

ACMG Student Interest Group Program

ACMG's Student Interest Group Program is designed to help medical, graduate and genetic counseling students expand their knowledge and interest in the field of medical genetics and genomics. Students are provided with a wealth of information, educational resources and networking tools on ACMG's Student webpage.

Member Discounts

ACMG members receive discounts on ACMG programs, products and educational materials including:

- The Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting
- The Bi-Annual Genetics Review Course
- Using Databases to Interpret Cytogenomic Arrays CME Program
- Online Learning Center and MOC Programs
- The Manual on Reimbursement for Medical Genetics Services
- Online Resources and Publications
- Employment Resource Center Posting

From Bench to Bedside—Translating Genetic Research into Patient Care through the ACMG Foundation

The educational and public health programs of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics are supported in part by charitable gifts from corporations, foundations, and individuals. A chief supporter is the ACMG Foundation a 501 (c) (3) supporting Foundation dedicated to funding the College's diverse educational and scientific efforts. The Foundation's support allows the College to:

- Interpret New Discoveries
- Improve Public Health
- Set Standards in Medical Genetics and Genomics
- Advance Education Through Fellowships/Grants
- Offer Research Awards

To support the ACMG Foundation, visit www.acmgfoundation.org.

Becoming a Member

ACMG is dedicated to responsible stewardship of its resources, containing the cost of membership and providing value for membership. Annual membership rates vary by category. Membership applications are available online at www.acmg.net.

Membership Categories

Fellows possess a relevant doctoral degree and a current and active general certificate issued by the ABMG in one of the following specialties: Clinical Genetics, Clinical Biochemical Genetics, Clinical Cytogenetics or Clinical Molecular Genetics; or an equivalent issued by the CCMG or the RCPS.

Candidate Fellows possess a relevant doctoral degree and are eligible for certification, but not yet certified, by the ABMG, the CCMG, or the RCPS.

Associate Members are certified in genetic counseling or eligible for certification in genetic counseling by the ABMG, the ABGC, or a College-recognized equivalent.

Corresponding Fellows possess the same qualifications as Fellows and reside permanently outside the United States and Canada.

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Emeritus Fellows are Fellows in good standing who have been members for at least five consecutive years, have retired from active practice and whose application for Emeritus status has been approved by the Board of Directors.

Emeritus Members are non-Fellow Members in good standing who have been members for at least five consecutive years, have retired from active practice and whose application for Emeritus status has been approved by the Board of Directors.

Affiliate Specialist Members possess a relevant doctoral degree and a current and active general certificate issued by one of the member boards (except ABMG) of the ABMS, by a College-recognized dental or osteopathic specialty board, or by the RCPS.

Affiliate Scientist Members possess a relevant doctoral degree and an active professional interest in medical genetics.

Affiliate Members do not possess a relevant doctoral degree but have an active professional interest in medical genetics.

Trainee Members are enrolled in a graduate medical or post-doctoral training program in medical genetics accredited by the ACGME, the ABMG, the CCMG, or the RCPS; a non-medical-genetics residency program accredited by the ACGME or the RCPS; or a post-doctoral fellowship in a relevant field and have an active professional interest in medical genetics.

Student Members are enrolled in a medical school accredited by the LCME or the AOA, an accredited graduate school program in a relevant field, or a training program in genetic counseling accredited by the ABGC or a College-recognized equivalent and have an interest in medical genetics.

ONLY Fellows, Corresponding Fellows, Emeritus Fellows and Honorary Fellows in good standing may use the designation "Fellow of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics" and the initials "FACMG" after their names.

Are you ready to join the only national organization dedicated to the future of the practice of medical genetics and genomics? Download an application today at www.acmg.net.

Are you an ACMG member yet?

“As a genetic counselor, I joined ACMG and am active on ACMG committees because it is the best place for genetic counselors to interact with MD and PhD geneticists. By making the genetic counselors’ voice heard at ACMG, we are able to provide input regarding policy and practice guidelines affecting the entire genetics community.”

Michelle Fox, MS, CGC
Adjunct Assistant Professor of Pediatrics
David Geffen School of Medicine UCLA

“The time has never been more critical to become an ACMG member and to shape the future of genetics in medicine and public health.”

Miriam (Mimi) Blitzer, PhD, FACMG
Laboratory Biochemical Geneticist
Head, Division of Human Genetics—Department of Pediatrics
University of Maryland School of Medicine

“The American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics leadership on issues in clinical genetics and its focus on the discoveries, the dialogue, and the new directions in medical genetics is critical to patient care, that’s why I am a member.”

Michael F. Murray, MD, FACMG
Clinical Chief, Genetics Division
Department of Medicine—Brigham and Women’s Hospital
Harvard Medical School

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