

National Workgroups and Healthcare Interpreter Training Program

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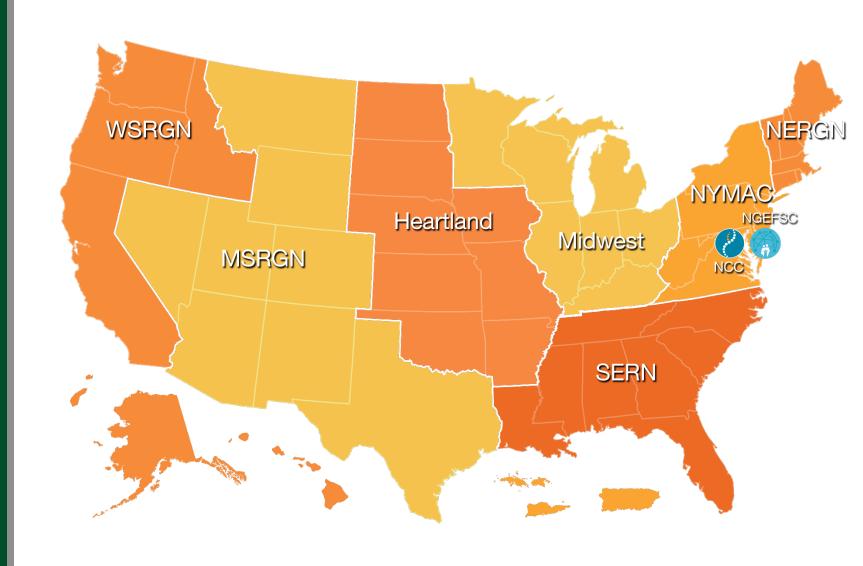
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RGN/NCC/ NGEFSC System

Funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), the Regional Genetics Networks (RGNs), the National Coordinating Center for the Regional Genetics Networks (NCC), and the National Genetics Education and Family Support Center (NGEFSC or Family Center) mission is to improve access to genetic services for underserved populations.



NCC Focus Areas



Genetics and Genomics Education



Telegenetics



Healthcare Access and Financing



Data
Collection and
Evaluation

NCC Workgroups

Genetics and Genomics Education



https://nccrcg.org/gge

Initiatives

- Healthcare Interpreter Training Small Group
- Offering CME credits for RGN and national educational efforts, which include:
 - Partnering to make ACMG's Genetics 101 course available
 - Developing CCP module about national family organizations for genetic providers
 - Adaption of ACT Sheets into short educational videos
- ACT Sheet development
- Public Health Genetics Week

National Resources

ACMG ACT Sheets and Algorithms

Over **100** ACT Sheets and algorithms are now available in the following categories:

- Newborn screening
- Secondary Findings
- Transition
- Carrier
- Diagnostic
- Family Health History

Resource Repository (ReRe)

Over **400** resources from the RGNs, NCC, Family Center, and national partners (including the Telehealth Resource Centers, Catalyst Center, etc.) in a wide variety of genetics topics for genetic services stakeholders.

Healthcare Access and Financing



https://nccrcg.org/gpc

Initiatives

The dissemination of genetics policy information to individuals and providers interested in genetics practice. Policy information includes:

- Proposed bills and regulations;
- Insurance information;
- Policy/position statements from national and advocacy organizations.

Genetics Policy Center

State Medicaid Genetics Policy Database

Written genetics policies by state can be viewed within this database.

Dissemination of Policy Information

Stay up-to-date on the latest resources and policies by accessing our website and subscribing to:

- LIFT Newsletter
- GPC Twitter Account
- GPC Slack

Legislation/Regulation Tracking

Explore genetics-related bills and regulation proposed at the state and federal level.

Medical Necessity Webinar and CME/CCP Series

In collaboration with the Catalyst Center, NCC plans to adapt the Catalyst Center's medical necessity brief and create a webinar and a CME/CCP module to educate providers.

Telegenetics



https://nccrcg.org/telegenetic/

Initiatives

Development and publication of an operating procedure that establishes how telegenetics should be practiced.

National Resources

Many telegenetics resources are shared within ReRe, with a particular focus on disseminating the resources from the Telehealth Resource Centers to the RGNs, as well as providing RGN-specific telegenetics information on our website.

Data Collection and Evaluation



Initiatives

- Data collection for the five national Performance Measures from each RGN.
- Annual system evaluation report.
- Public dashboard showing system-wide evaluation data.
- Provide evaluation assistance as requested by an RGN.

National Resources

In addition to internal reports provided to HRSA and the RGNs, NCC has a publicly-facing dashboard on our website that provides national level data on the five Performance Measures.

https://nccrcg.org/evaluation

Healthcare Interpreter Training Program

Background

In a study conducted by University of California San Francisco, researchers found that misinterpretations had significant adverse impacts on a patient's ability to understand their breast cancer risk. From this research, Cindy Roat developed a training module for healthcare interpreters for cancer genetics.

Interpreting for Genetics



https://nccrcg.org/interpreting -for-genetics/

Based on the success of the cancer genetics module, NCC worked with Cindy Roat and the Healthcare Interpreter Network to develop three other modules: prenatal, pediatric, and development delay (currently being finalized; the module will utilize Autism as the representative condition).

For each module, the following is accessible on the NCC website:

- Curriculum
- PowerPoint that provides an introduction on the topic
- Trainers available to teach the curriculum

Training

In addition to the modules, many trainings have been held on the two different curriculums. To date, **450** healthcare interpreters.

In this new funding cycle, NCC is working on adapting the training to virtual sessions for the foreseeable future.

NCC and Cindy will work with each region to offer at least two trainings to each region over the course of the 4 years.