Wisconsin Traveling Genetics: Available Presentations

Are you seeking CME and/or educational opportunities related to Clinical Genetics for primary and specialty health care providers in your health system?

The Genetics Systems Integration (GSI) Hub, which is part of the Wisconsin Maternal and Child Health Genetics Program, can help!

There are Medical Geneticists and certified Genetic Counselors willing to share information about genetics topics with providers at hospitals and health systems across Wisconsin. Listed below are currently available presentation topics. If you are interested in an educational presentation for providers in your hospital/health system, the GSI Hub can connect you to an available speaker. If you are interested in a topic that is not listed, then please contact the GSI Hub, and staff will determine if there is a presenter to meet your needs.

The GSI Hub may be able to assist providing speaker honoraria. Please note that if you choose to offer CME for the presentation, your institution would be responsible for all issues related to CME accreditation and costs.

Questions? Interested? Please email us at wigeneticshub@waisman.wisc.edu, or call 608-262-0182.

Medical Genetics
This presentation is appropriate for primary and specialty care audiences who care for both pediatric and adult patients.

- “Introduction to Clinical Biochemical Genetics.”
  Gregory Rice, MD, is a Medical Geneticist who specializes in Medical and Biochemical Genetics at UW Health. Dr. Rice is a clinical professor at UW-Madison in the Department of Pediatrics.

Prenatal Genetics
These presentations are appropriate for primary and specialty care providers who offer preconception and prenatal care. Available presentations include:

- "Screening for Aneuploidy and Neural Tube Defects"
  This presentation reviews screening methods for Down syndrome, trisomy 18, trisomy 13 and neural tube defects.

- “Noninvasive Prenatal Screening”
  This presentation will review noninvasive prenatal screening technology, its benefits, limitations and applications.

  Kristen Rasmussen, MS, CGC, is a Certified Genetic Counselor at Marshfield Clinic.
Pediatric Genetics
These presentations are appropriate for primary and specialty care audiences who provide pediatric care. Available presentations include:

- "Heads Up: A Review of Children’s Noggins." This presentation reviews the evaluation and etiology of abnormal head size (microcephaly and macrocephaly), sutures and fontanelles in infants.
  
  Kerry Jedele, MD, is a Medical Geneticist at Gundersen Health System in La Crosse.

- “Fetal Alcohol Syndrome” This presentation may include: risk, epidemiology, and prevalence of FAS; biological basis and diagnosis; differential diagnosis; interventions, and resources for providers and/or families.
  
  David Wargowski, MD, is a Medical Geneticist at UW Health who specializes in Medical Genetics. Dr. Wargowski is a clinical professor at UW-Madison in the Department of Pediatrics.

Cancer Genetics
This presentation is appropriate for primary and specialty care audiences who provide care for patients with a personal and/or family history of cancer.

- “Overview of Hereditary Cancer Syndromes”
  
  This presentation includes: the frequency, importance, and molecular basis of hereditary cancer; examples of some specific hereditary cancer syndromes; family history & risk assessment; genetic counseling & testing, insurance coverage & issues of discrimination; case examples and discussion.
  
  Bobbi McGivern MS, CGC, is a Certified Genetic Counselor at ThedaCare in Appleton. Ms. McGivern specializes in cancer genetic counseling.

Amish and Plain Community Genetics
This presentation is appropriate for primary and specialty care audiences who provide care for patients in the Amish/Plain communities.

- “Genetic Conditions in the "Plain" Population of Wisconsin”
  
  This presentation will review the common genetic and metabolic conditions affecting Amish and Old Order Mennonites in Wisconsin, and discuss cultural and religious values that may affect healthcare choices.
  
  Jessica Scott Schwoerer, MD, is a Medical Geneticist who specializes in Medical and Biochemical Genetics at UW Health. Dr. Scott Schwoerer is a clinical professor at UW-Madison in the Department of Pediatrics.

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