



Message from the Project Directors **Kathryn Hassell, MD & Janet Thomas, MD**

April 2019

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

We are busy planning the next Genetics Summit, and our State Teams are working on refining their projects as we prepare to finish up our 2nd year of this grant cycle and enter the 3rd and final year of the current grant cycle.

2019 ACMG Annual Meeting

Janet Thomas, MD, Co-Project Director for MSRGN participated in the National Coordinating Center (NCC) sponsored educational session at the 2019 ACMG Annual Meeting on April 2nd -6th in Seattle, WA entitled "Using Telegenetics to Improve Access to Clinicians and Researchers for Families." Janet Thomas, MD presentation was entitled "Improving Access to Telegenetics for Medically Underserved Populations."



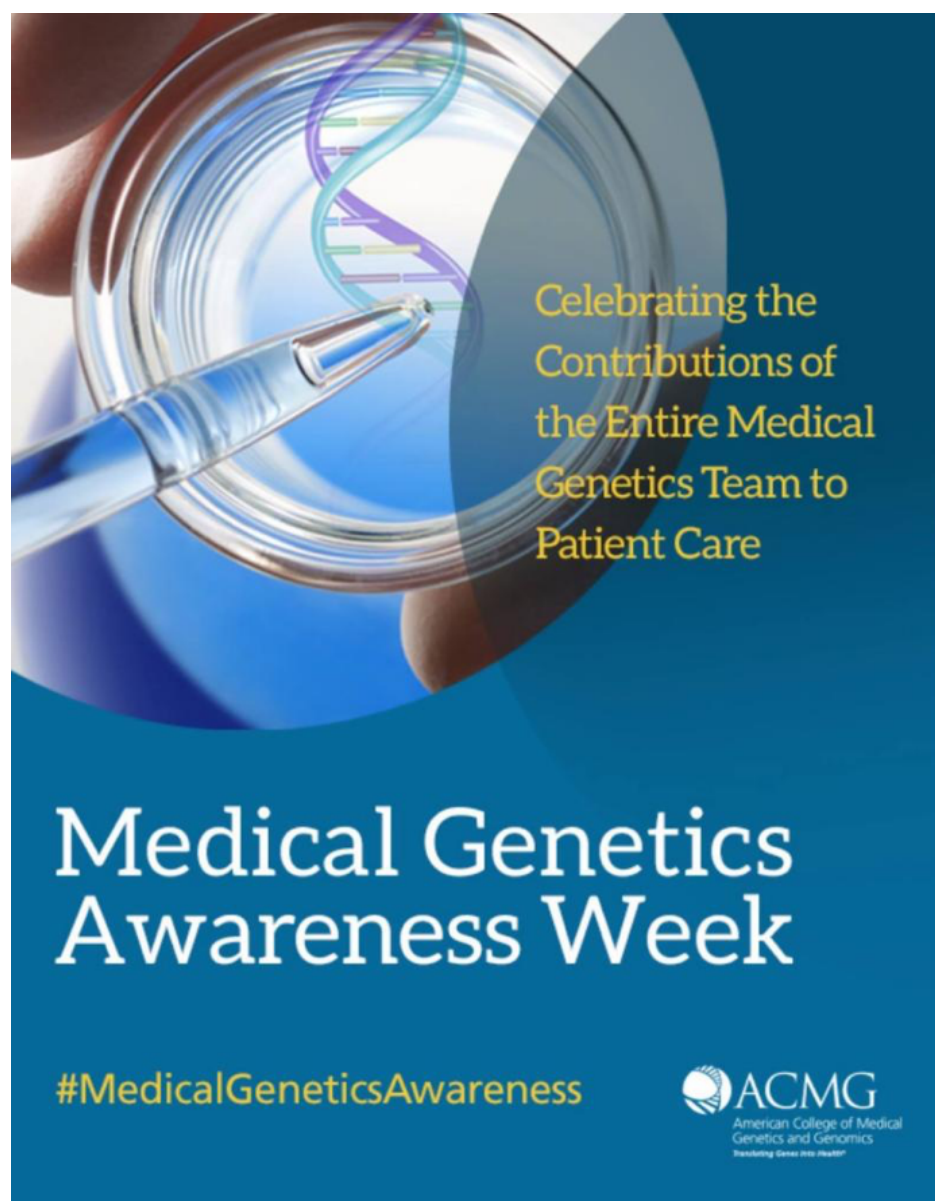
(Janet Thomas, MD far left at ACMG panel discussion)



Mark your calendar now for this event! Many more details are in the works and will be forthcoming. MSRGN 2019 Genetics Summit will be in Albuquerque, NM.

American College of Medicine (ACMG) Medical Genetics Awareness Week

ACMG held its first Medical Genetics Awareness Week from April 2nd to April 6th during the ACMG Annual Meeting. The theme of the week was to celebrate the contribution of the entire medical genetics team to patient care. The National Coordinating Center (NCC) highlighted resources and efforts of the Regional Genetics Network (RGN)/NCC/National Genetics Education and Family Support Center (NGEFSC) system. Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram were used to post about specific topics.



Facebook Live April 24th

Please join us on this Wednesday, April 24th, on the MSRGN Facebook [page](#) for three Autism Awareness Facebook Live session with Dr. Daryl Scott, Associate Professor of Molecular and Human Genetics at Baylor College of Medicine starting at 6 pm, 7 pm and 8 pm CT. Dr. Daryl Scott will be answering common questions about genetics and autism. Please help us by spreading the word and tuning in!



Join Us... April 24th
Autism Awareness Month
 April 24th : 3 Questions and 3 Facebook Lives:
 7/8/9pm ET, 6/7/8pm CT, 5/6/7pm MT, 4/5/6pm PT
 on the Mountain States Genetics Facebook Page

Dr. Scott
Answers
3 Common
Questions
about
#Genetics
and #Autism
on Facebook Live



Your Questions Answered about...
GENETICS AND AUTISM
 by Mountain States



Dr. Daryl Scott
 Associate Professor
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Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs (AMCHP) Conference

Adrienne Paradis, consumer member from Colorado and Genetic Ambassador, received a NGEFSC scholarship to attend AMCHP Conference on March 9th -12th in San Antonio, TX. Adrienne was able to attend the training "Cultural Agility: When Cultural Competence Means Planning to Change Your Plan".



(Adrienne Paradis at AMCHP Conference)

State Team Spotlight: Arizona

The Arizona State Team is looking to adapt the Developmental Delay Algorithm to address the underserved population in their state. State Team member Phil James, MD attended a telegenetics training on April 17th in Arkansas. The team is exploring opportunities to expand the telegenetics in Arizona.

IHS Clinical Rounds: Choosing the right genetic test. This isn't rocket science

If you have not registered yet, please register TODAY for the IHS Clinical Grand Rounds that is scheduled for Tuesday, April 23rd from 12pm-1pm MT. Daryl Scott, M.D., PhD will be presenting on "Choosing the right genetic test. This isn't rocket science." The webinar will provide a simple framework that practitioners can use to lower stress levels and consistently choose the right genetic test(s) for each of their patients. Information on how to register for this webinar can be found on the MSRGN website at this [link](#).

Family Voices (FV) Training

Melissa Fox, Texas State Team co-lead and Genetic Ambassador, received an NGEFSC scholarship to attend the Family Voices training: "Building Partnership Skills Workshop" in Kansas City on April 4th-5th.

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Warm regards,



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