Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Happy Fall!  It was wonderful to see so many of you in Albuquerque, New Mexico for our 2019 Genetics Summit.  We hope you all had a safe trip home.

This event highlighted invited guest speakers presenting on genetic topics of interest to healthcare providers, public health officials, community organizations, and families and individuals touched by genetic conditions. Continuing education credits were provided for physicians, nurses, and genetic counselors. Our State Teams also met to present to one another about their team projects, as well as shared ideas about their sustainability plan.

2019 Genetics Summit

We would like to thank our speakers and attendees for making our second Genetic Summit a success.  Slides from 2019 Genetics Summit speaker presentations can be found here.  To view the on-line photo album from the Genetics Summit, please click here.
On September 23, the first day of the Genetics Summit, our State Teams reported to the group about their favorite project. They spoke about their anticipated outcomes and impacts of their project. The teams also discussed how they would continue to work on outreach to the medically underserved population in their state and improving access to genetic services should MSRGN funding end. They also gave input on the State Team approach should funding continue for MSRGN. A recording of the State Teams Report-Out session can be found here.
Thank You 2019 Genetics Summit Exhibitors

We would like to thank this year's Genetics Summit Exhibitors: Amicus Therapeutics, Horizon Therapeutics, Invitae, MNG Laboratories, Natera, PerkinElmer, PTC Therapeutics, Recordati Rare Diseases, Sanofi, and Takeda.
Facebook Live

If you missed our last Facebook Live from the 2019 Genetics Summit on "The Power of a Rare Disease Diagnosis" with Carrie Ostrea, Executive Director and Co-Founder, Little Miss Hanna Foundation, please click here.

State Team Spotlight: Texas

Mountain States Regional Genetics Network was highlighted by the Texas State Team who was able to secure an exhibit table at the Texas Pediatric Society (TPS) conference on September 19-22, 2019 in Plano, TX. Attendees were able to learn and pick up informational literature about the goals of the network. Debra Freedenberg, MD presented information about genetic resources in the state including information on the MSRGN network at the Fetus and Newborn Committee meeting.
(Texas Team answering questions from TPS attendees)

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Email Communications from MSRGN

MSRGN is in the process of updating our contact list. If you would like to update your email preference or do not wish to receive communications from MSRGN, please email Annette Lara.

Warm regards,

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