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

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is hard to believe that it is just 4 weeks away from the end of the SRGN grant cycle. We write to reflect on the successes and challenges of the past 3 years and the collective work that we have accomplished together. We want to express our gratitude to all who have contributed to this project.

In addition, we want to share some important updates from our last call as well as the career in health genetics opportunity of the month.

Involving Communities in Public Health Genetics Week

Public Health Genetics Week is May 26-29. This is your final week to apply for funds to participate in the week. The Notice of Award (NOA) for the coming grant cycle (2020-2024) will be made available by June 1, 2020. The NOA is the only mechanism available to support grant activities. The NOA invites applications for a 4-year grant cycle beginning on June 1, 2020. The NOA provides funding for a portion of the year and requires non-competitive renewal to continue an 8-state program.

In addition to building awareness around Public Health Genetics week, each day of the week will have a different theme. These include:

- **May 26**: Enhancing the Genetic/Telegenetic Experience
- **May 27**: Public Health Screening
- **May 28**: Webinar: Resources for Families
- **May 29**: All of the 8 States in our Region!

As part of the week, we will feature the 8 States in our region. Each state will present a short segment about what they are doing in their state. We hope to give everyone an opportunity to participate in Public Health Genetics week.

Q&A: Careers in Public Health Genetics

As part of our Career in Public Health Genetics initiative, we are inviting individuals interested in careers in public health genetics to participate in our Q&A session. This session will be held on May 20th, 2020 at 11am PT/12pm MT/1pm CT/2pm ET.

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We would like to share the career in public health genetics brochure. You can access it here.

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Our Last: Your Genetics Questions Answered

Dr. Chaya Murali will be joining us to answer any genetics questions you might have.

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