



December 2020

MSRGN Project Directors' Message



Holiday Wishes

Our thoughts are with each and every one of you this holiday season. We know this year, the holidays may look incredibly different from any other holiday we have ever celebrated, but we want you to know you are not alone and that we appreciate you all very much. MSRGN members are our extended family and if we can be of any comfort or care during this time, please reach out to us [here](#).

Click here for a little HOLIDAY GENETIC and BIOLOGY humor!



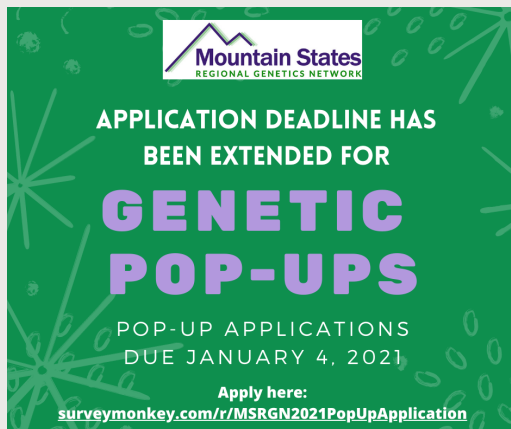
Registration is Open for the MSRGN Virtual Winter Meeting: January 28, 2021

On December 1st, members of our state teams, genetic ambassadors, advisory committee and management team, received an email containing a link to register for the meeting. If you are not sure if you have registered or did not receive the email and are part of the teams mentioned above, please contact [Kristi Wees](#).

Telegenetics Training Opportunity

MSRGN December Highlights:

- MSRGN's **Time 4 Genetics** clinics update: We are reaching out to finalize partnership agreements with the clinics that our state teams have identified. Also, we have identified the first topic area: **Red Flags 4 Genetics**. If you have any resources on this topic, please share them with us [here](#).
- MSRGN has updated our website to include a new "Culture" document. Please check out both versions of these important principles that MSRGN was built on [here \(blocks\)](#) and [here \(lines\)](#).
- Registration for our Virtual Winter meeting is OPEN! The deadline to register is January 22. **Contact us** if you did not receive the registration link.



Genetic Pop-Ups Application EXTENDED!

This year all of our Rare Disease Day **Genetic Pop-Ups** will be held virtually due to COVID-19.

The application has been **extended until January 4th**.

There is funding available for a total of 8 pop-ups (one per state) and we have applications from TX, CO, AZ, and MT.

Please click below and fill out the application if you are interested in applying for a **Genetic Pop-Up** in your state.

DEADLINE EXTENDED to:
January 4, 2021

The Midwest Genetics Network and the Heartland Genetics Network are collaborating with the Upper Midwest Telehealth Resource Center to offer an **introductory telegenetics training program for genetics providers and genetic counseling students**.

Training consists of:
Online modules to complete at your own pace plus a one day virtual workshop.

If you are accepted, there is no cost to participate in this training. CME and CEUs are under review.

The one day virtual workshops will be held on:

February 16, 2021 and
May 10, 2021

**for Genetic Counselors and
Counseling students**
and

February 23, 2021 and
May 11, 2021
for Physicians

Please **contact Jane Pilditch** at jpilditc@mphi.org for an application.

[Request Application
Here](#)

Helpful link from one of our state team co-leads!

Thank you, Robbin, for sharing!

March of Dimes:
**Birth Defect Surveillance Maps
and Peristats Database**

State teams-
check out the
STATE SUMMARIES

Genetic Pop-Up
Application

Peristats Database

Click **HERE** for the MSRGN 2020 Holiday Genetics Gift List



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