This is a special early edition of the MSRGN Project Directors’ Message. Beginning on Monday May 24th, Public Health Genetics Week kicks off (May 24-28) and we wanted you all to know about the amazing week that the National Coordinating Center (NCC) has planned! Click on the timeline below to examine closer and link to each day’s events. A few highlights:

- Mark your calendar to tune in to the NCC’s Facebook page on Thursday (5/27) at 3pm ET/2pm CT/1pm MT/ noon PT) to hear from members of our Utah State Team as they share on Facebook live about newborn screening for GAMT.
- NCC is also partnering with PBS for a FREE virtual showing of the documentary: THE GENE: AN INTIMATE HISTORY over 4 nights of the week. If you have never seen this documentary, you will NOT WANT TO MISS THIS opportunity to do so! Register here.

**2021 CALENDAR**

**Eastern Daylight Savings Time (EDT)**

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**Available PHGW Resources**

**PHGW Activities**

- Coloring Pages
- Digital Escape Room
- Video series
That's a wrap! May 31, 2021 ends this grant year. We would like to thank all of you for a successful first year of the new grant cycle (now referred to as year 4). As we move into the new grant year (year 5) we look forward to even more genetics in the mountain states!

We've got:

MOMENTUM in the MOUNTAINS!

MSRGN May Highlights:

- The inaugural webinar of the Time 4 Genetics series was held on May 18. The recording can be found here.
- The State Team Co-lead Round-up call was held on May 6th. (see the zoom selfie above!) Check out the recording and infamous STATE TEAM Awards here.
- State team projects and expenditures are wrapping up! Please be sure to submit all reimbursements no later than May 31, 2021, to Kristi.
- We wished Joyce Hooker well at a virtual send off earlier in May. See the recording here.

We have begun planning the 2021 Genetics Summit and would love your suggestions for topics or speakers that you would like to propose to the planning committee.

The theme will be: Connecting the Dots

Please submit this form by May 31st with your ideas. If you are interested in being part of the planning committee please email Kristi.

In the meantime, please hold November 9-10, 2021 on your calendar for this 2-day VIRTUAL event. Our plan is to start at:

- 8:30 PT, 9:30 MT, 10:30 CT, 11:30 ET
- and end at:
- 1:30 PT, 2:30 MT, 3:30 CT, 4:30 ET

with bio breaks and a lunch break.
REMINDER: **No** State Team calls in June 2021.
State team members:
Be on the lookout for an email to update your state team status and contact info!

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