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MSRGN Project Directors' Message



Hello Spring



A few MARCH updates
from the MSRGN Management Team:

MSRGN submitted our Non-Competitive Renewal
for grant year 5 progress and are
awaiting confirmation of grant year 6 funding.

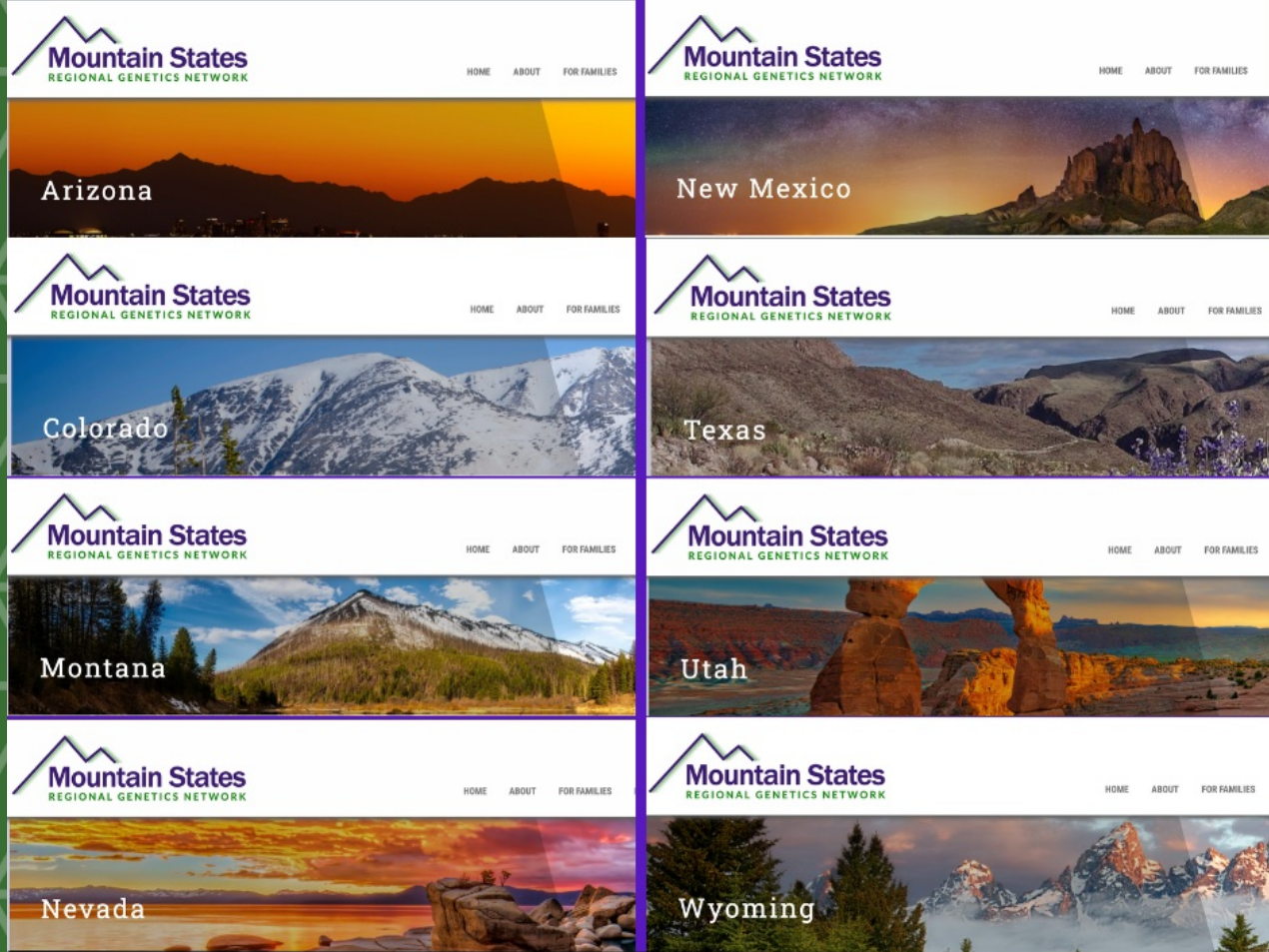
MSRGN has a new HRSA grant officer.
We welcome, Mabatemiye Otubu!
We are excited to work with her and have our first meeting next week!

Our MSRGN State Teams have redesigned their webpages
and those are now LIVE through the
clickable map on our [MSRGN Website](#) (more info below)

The decision has been made to offer our
MSRGN Genetics Summit 2022 as a
VIRTUAL educational event on November 9-10, 2022.
See the SAVE THE DATE and call for topic and speaker suggestions, below!

Year 5 State Team projects are wrapping up.
State teams, please utilize any remaining funding for the projects you proposed
last fall and ensure all invoices are received by MSRGN, ideally by April 15th.
Thank you to all the teams for your amazing projects and your assistance and
attention to the last few deadlines as we close out
our 2021-2022 grant year in May.

Stay tuned next month for announcements
on some new MSRGN team members who
will be joining us as we bid farewell to Cody Price.



NEW & Improved: MSRGN State Team Webpages



Check out the NEW and IMPROVED State Team Webpages!

Wow- what an awesome TEAM effort! This journey started with discussions with the Utah and Texas state teams that then expanded to a student project in Texas with Co-lead Daphne Fulton's Sam Houston State students. The project ended with help from all the state teams, lots of coordination and editing by Cody Price and coordination with our web designer.

The results...8 new and improved **STATE TEAM WEBPAGES** with resources, featured projects, buttons to email the Genetic Navigator and links to organizations and agencies in a state that are helpful for families, providers and others navigating genetics in the Mountain States region. You can access all the state team pages by clicking on the state of your choice on the clickable map on the [homepage of the MSRGN website](#).

THANK YOU ALL who helped with these pages! We appreciate the team effort to complete these updates and meet the goal of all of them going LIVE this month!



SAVE THE DATE
MSRGN Genetics Summit 2022
November 9 & 10, 2022

The MSRGN management team has made the decision to offer our annual Genetics Summit as a virtual event for 2022. Due to the reach and access that the 2021 Genetics Summit provided, as well as continuing education enduring materials for the recordings that continue to outlive the actual event, the team has decided to offer this format again as a virtual genetics educational event for genetic providers, public health professionals, primary care and specialty providers and individuals and families alike.

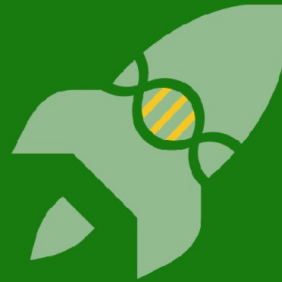
Please Save The Dates: **November 9 & 10, 2022**

If you have ideas for topics or speakers or any topics from last year's Genetics Summit that you would like to hear more about this year, please let us know by filling out the form below by May 1, 2022.

Suggest a Topic or Speaker
here

JOIN US FOR THE TIME 4 GENETICS WEBINAR:

GENETIC TESTING: IT'S NOT ROCKET SCIENCE



May 18, 2022

(at 10am PT, 11am MT, noon CT, and 1pm ET)



Guest Presenters:
Daryl A. Scott, MD, PhD
Associate professor at Baylor College of Medicine &
Clinical Geneticist at Texas Children's Hospital



Haley Streff, MS, CGC
Clinical Instructor at Baylor College of Medicine &
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Registration is now OPEN for our May 18th Time 4 Genetics Webinar!

Time 4 Genetics Webinar in May:

Genetic Testing: It's not Rocket Science
May 18, 2022

(10am PT, 11am MT, noon CT, 1pm ET)

Guest Speakers:

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Register Here for May 18
Webinar

Arizona Genetic Counselor SURVEY!

You are invited to participate in a research study exploring genetic counselor outreach being conducted by Emily Green, a graduate student at the University of Arizona Genetic Counseling Program. The goals of this study are to (1) gather data on the different types of outreach activities genetic counselors are involved in and (2) identify motivations and barriers experienced by genetic counselors when engaged in outreach. All genetic counselors and genetic counseling students in the United States and Canada are eligible to participate in this study. If you decide to participate, you will be asked to take an online survey. The survey will take approximately 5-15 minutes to complete. All participants who complete the survey will be eligible to win one of ten \$20 Amazon gift cards. This study has been approved by the University of Arizona IRB (STUDY00000794). If you have any questions, please contact Emily Green at eigreen@email.arizona.edu.

Survey link: https://uarizona.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0dpHr6me73BW2hg

Take Genetic Counselor Survey
HERE

COLORADO Sickle Cell SURVEY!

Help out our friends at the Center for Public Health Innovation (CPHI) at CI International, in collaboration with the Colorado Sickle Cell Treatment and Research Center who received CDC funding to better understand the epidemiology and health care utilization patterns of sickle cell disease through a statewide surveillance system for individuals of all ages with sickle cell disease. As part of this effort, the grant team is gathering baseline sickle cell knowledge data from the community. All are invited to complete this short online assessment. Respondents will be entered into a drawing for a \$25 gift card. For questions, contact Yvonne Kellar-Guenther.

Take the Colorado Sickle Cell Assessment
HERE

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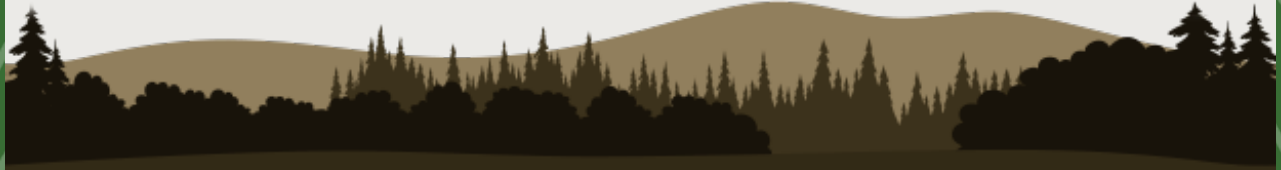
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