



MDCGC QUARTERLY

Official member newsletter of The Maryland and DC Society of Genetic Counselors

The vision of the MDCGC is to ensure the quality of genetic health care and to promote the field of genetic counseling in Maryland and the District of Columbia (hereafter referred to as DC). *MDCGC Quarterly* is your source for updates on our past accomplishments, current projects, and upcoming events.

Committee Updates

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

- Creating an official voting system to be used for next year's MDCGC leadership elections
- Electing president-elect, secretary, treasurer, & all committee co-chairs in 2020. Think about getting involved!
- Working on creating listservs
- Always looking for ways to increase membership & recruit!

MDCGC Membership by the numbers

83 number of MDCGC members as of 5/14/19

68 are full members

7 are associate members

8 are student members

Follow us on social media for regular updates!



@MDCGeneticCounselors



@TheMDCGC

Attention!

This is the last free issue of the MDCGC Quarterly! Future issues will be accessible to members only, so don't forget to join below. We know you don't want to miss the next MDCGC Quarterly!

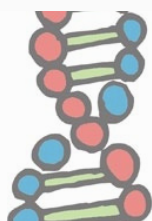


Click here to renew your MDCGC membership for 2019

Why Join?

Benefits of MDCGC Membership...

- Educational opportunities, including an annual symposium
- Access to the newsletter - this will be the last public newsletter
- Volunteer opportunities - get involved in committee membership, task forces, or leadership roles to help advance GCs in the MD/DC area!
- Participation in salary surveys
- Never miss an announcement for other genetics-related educational events in the area
- Networking and social opportunities - meet your colleagues at other institutions in the area!



Committee Updates, continued...

STATE MEETING & EDUCATION COMMITTEE

We are pleased to announce the inaugural Annual MDCGC Education Conference on

January 31, 2020

at the Johns Hopkins Hospital Chevy Chase Auditorium

CALL FOR SPEAKERS



Do you have a specific clinical, lab, public health, or research interest? Have you given or heard a great presentation on a pertinent genetics topic? Is there anything you really would like to know more about? Would you like to facilitate a discussion about a specific topic?

We are fielding topics to help create content for our Annual Conference and would love to hear from you and/or receive your nominations for speakers! We want to present a diverse and timely agenda, and know that we have an incredible range of expertise in our community. Talks/panels should fit within a 20-30 minute time slot.

If interested, please **EMAIL** info@mdcgc.org with your ideas and suggestions, including:

- 1) Your name and institutional affiliation (or information for nominee)
- 2) A brief summary of the topic you'd like to discuss and estimated length of talk.

PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE



- Licensure work is in full effect! Licensure bill to be submitted in 2019 and voted on in 2020!
- Future goals include creating a MD/DC Professional Status Survey for help with salaries and reimbursement



Committee Updates, continued...

SOCIAL MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

- MDCGC membership survey results are in! Thank you for your responses. Based on your feedback we are happy to announce that the Job Postings page of our website is live! Click [here](#) to view!
- We are prioritizing the creation of a Local Resources page next. If you know of a local specialty clinic that you would like to be included on our list, please email kleppert@jhmi.edu with the following information:
 - Clinic name, specialty area, location, phone number, website, other contact information, and any additional notes
- Planning networking events - stay tuned for family-friendly event in Fall 2019!
- Curating content for social media profiles, including Facebook and Twitter, to help promote visibility
- Continue to create and distribute the *MDCGC Quarterly*
- Promoting other GC-related events in the area

Interested in joining a committee? Email the committee chair to learn more about how you can get involved!

- **Membership Committee Chair:** Lydia Hellwig (lydiadhellwig@gmail.com)
- **Social Media & Communications Chair:** Kristen Leppert (kleppert@jhmi.edu)
- **Public Policy Committee:** Carolyn Applegate (cdapplegate@jhmi.edu)
- **State Meeting & Education Committee:** Elizabeth Kramer (Kramer.eliz@gmail.com)

save the date

Fall 2019



MDCGC Family Friendly Activity
Details to Follow

September 2019 - exact date TBD



Baltimore-Washington Genetics Group Meeting
Location: GBMC | Dinner to be sponsored
Talks hosted by: TBD
Check the MDCGC website for further details



Friday, January 31, 2020 8:30 am - 4 pm

Inaugural Educational Symposium
Location: JHU Chevy Chase Auditorium
Check the MDCGC website for further details

