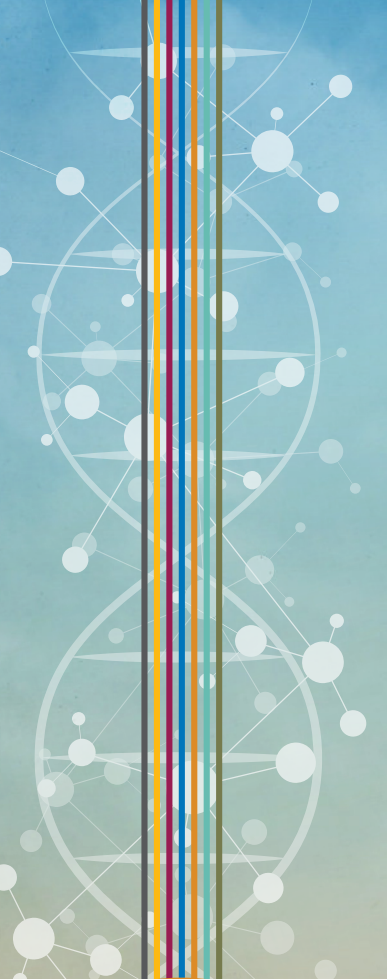




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43rd

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

September 17-21, 2024

Ernest N. Morial Convention Center
New Orleans, LA

LETTER FROM THE 2024 PROGRAM COMMITTEE CHAIRS

It is our pleasure to invite you to the NSGC 43rd Annual Conference, taking place September 17-21, 2024, in New Orleans, Louisiana. In addition to our extensive event in New Orleans, we are excited to continue offering our virtual access pass that provides streaming of some live and all pre-recorded sessions during the conference. No matter how you attend, we are certain that this year's conference will empower you to lead beyond the horizon of the field of genetic counseling.

The educational content at the Annual Conference is curated by genetic counselors, for genetic counselors. In February, the Annual Conference Program Committee came together in Chicago to review and deliberate over an astounding number of session proposals submitted by dedicated and innovative members of our community. This year's conference agenda focuses on emerging technologies, career development, and practical strategies that will leave attendees equipped with valuable knowledge and actionable takeaways to apply in their practice right away.

Leading Beyond the Horizon is the powerful theme for this year's event. Genetic counselors play a crucial role in influencing and shaping the forefront of genomics and innovation. The conference is a time to come together and examine what the horizon looks like, and also what it could be if genetic counselors continue to place ourselves in key roles.

As we countdown to the 43rd Annual Conference, we encourage you to get involved and share on social media what "Leading Beyond the Horizon" means to you by using #NSGC24! We are so excited to have you join us for this incredible experience. We look forward to seeing all of you in the fall.



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SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Please note schedule is subject to change.

Tuesday, Sept. 17

11:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Registration Open

12:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Pre-Conference Symposia*

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM

Annual Conference Welcome
Event for First Time Attendees

Wednesday, Sept. 18

7:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Registration Open

7:45 AM – 8:30 AM

Sponsored Breakfast Symposia

8:45 AM – 9:00 AM

Opening Remarks

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Opening Plenary

10:15 AM – 12:15 PM

Educational Breakout Sessions
and Workshops*

12:15 PM – 2:00 PM

Exhibit Hall Open

12:30 PM – 1:45 PM

Sponsored Lunch Symposia(s)

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Educational Breakout Sessions

3:45 PM – 4:45 PM

Jane Engelberg Memorial
Fellowship (JEMF) Presentation

4:45 PM – 5:45 PM

Plenary Session

5:45 PM – 7:00 PM

Exhibit Hall and Poster Reception

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Genetic Counselors Award
Ceremony

Thursday, Sept. 19

7:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Registration Open

7:45 AM – 8:30 AM

Sponsored Breakfast
Symposia(s)

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM

Janus Lecture

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

NSGC Professional Issues Panel

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Educational Breakout Sessions

12:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Exhibit Hall Open

12:45 PM – 2:00 PM

Sponsored Lunch Symposia(s)

2:00 PM – 2:30 PM

Janus Encore Chat

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Career Fair Open

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

NSGC State of the Society Address

4:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Incoming Presidential Address

4:30 PM – 6:30 PM

Exhibit Hall Reception

4:30 PM – 6:30 PM

Career Fair Open

Friday, Sept.20

7:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Registration Open

7:45 AM – 8:30 AM

Sponsored Breakfast
Symposia(s)

9:00 AM – 10:15 AM

Beverly Rollnick
Memorial Lecture

10:15 AM – 2:30 PM

Exhibit Hall Open

Friday, Sept.20 (cont.)

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Platform Presentations

11:45 AM – 12:15 PM

Rollnick Encore Chat

12:15 PM – 1:30 PM

Sponsored Lunch Symposia(s)

1:45 PM – 2:15 PM

Passport to Prizes

2:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Natalie Weissberger Paul
National Achievement Award
Presentation

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Audrey Heimler Special
Projects Award

3:45 PM – 4:30 PM

Leading Beyond the
Horizon Abstracts

4:30 PM – 5:30 PM

Plenary Session

Saturday, Sept. 21

7:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Registration Open

7:45 AM – 8:30 AM

Sponsored Breakfast
Symposia(s)

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Educational Breakout Sessions

11:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Abstract Awards

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Late-Breaking Session

12:30 PM – 12:45 PM

Closing Remarks

**Pre-Conference Symposia
require advanced registration
and an additional fee. Workshops
require advanced registration
(no additional fee).*

EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

As the genetic counseling field continues to grow and evolve, so does our Annual Conference education. We are excited to offer learning opportunities on on new and emerging technologies within the field, including:

- 2024 Beverly Rollnick Memorial Lecture: Ordering “The Cure” with a Side of Trepidation: The Challenges of Gene Therapy for Sickle Cell Disease
- Age of Treatment: The Clinical, Social and Ethical Implications of Genetic Therapies *
- From Genome to Transcriptome to Methylome: A Journey Through the “omes” Coming Soon to a Clinic Near You! (Pre-Con)
- D – [A]I- Y: Practical Implementation of AI into GC Practice (Pre-Con)
- A Genetic Counselor’s Guide to Long-Read Sequencing: Preparing for the Future of Genomic Medicine (Plenary)
- Precision Prenatal Medicine: Genetic Counseling and Fetal Exome Sequencing *

MOVING TOWARDS ACCESSIBILITY AND EQUITY

NSGC will host a variety of speakers to discuss our role in moving the needle within our professional society and our communities at large. Here are several justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion sessions slated for presentation:

- Gender-Inclusive Genetic Counseling: Education and Skill-building for Clinic, Industry, and Supervision (Pre-Con)
- How Do We Do Better? Improving Disability Inclusivity within the Genetic Counselor Professional Trajectory *
- Restorative Justice: Transforming Our Response to Harm (Workshop)
- From Words to Impact: A Workshop on Inclusive and Accessible Content Writing for GCs (Workshop)
- Just Because We Can, Should We? Examining PGT Through the Lens of Ableism, Access, and Clinical Actionability *



EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

We are pleased to offer multiple sessions addressing education and professional development that offer you the skills you need as you grow in your career as a genetic counselor. Here is a snapshot of the sessions you can look forward to:

- Preparing for a Leap of Faith: Considering and Navigating a Career Transition (Workshop)
- Leveraging your Leadership Skills to Translate Your Vision into Action (Workshop)
- Finding Ourselves as Genetic Counselors: Examining our Personal and Professional Identities *
- Essential Skills for a Job Seeker: Networking, Resume Building, Interviewing & Negotiating (Workshop)

PRACTICAL STRATEGIES

Leave the NSGC 43rd Annual Conference with new ideas and actionable strategies that you can immediately implement into your practice. Here are sessions that will leave you ready to drive change within your work:

- Goodbye 96040, Hello 9X100: A Genetic Counseling CPT Code Update for All Genetic Counselors (Plenary)
- Uncover Your Potential: Proven Strategies to Prepare for the ABGC Board Exam (High Demand On-Demand)
- Reflexivity Across the Research Lifespan: Planning, Conducting, Supervising, and Mobilizing Ethical Genetic Counseling Research *
- This or That? Debating the Role of Panels, Exomes, and Genomes in the Diagnostic Odyssey *
- Trusting Your Gut: A Guide to Caring for Hereditary Gastric Cancer Patients *

** Designates Educational Breakout Session. | Please note that education is subject to change.*

HIGHLIGHTS

As always, the NSGC Annual Conference will feature sessions describing recent advancements in technology and care, highlighting genetic counselor-led research, and contributing to personal and professional growth.

ATTEND YOUR WAY

Those who register to join us in person in New Orleans will have the ability to attend all plenary sessions, as well as their choice of one concurrent educational breakout session per timeslot. In addition, in-person attendees will be able to visit the physical Exhibit Hall, view virtual poster presentations and on-demand sessions, attend platform presentations and sponsored sessions, attend a pre-conference symposium and experience unique, networking opportunities.

Those who register to join us for the virtual experience will have access to livestreamed plenary sessions, as well as one livestreamed concurrent session per timeslot, as determined by the Annual Conference Program Committee. In addition, virtual attendees will have access to virtual poster presentations and on-demand sessions.

