

Genetic Services Policy Project Session at ACMG Annual Meeting Fact Sheet

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Session Title: Stakeholders' Perspectives on the Delivery of Genetic Services

Date of Session : Friday March 24, 2006

Brief description:

The session will explore the perspectives of key stakeholder organizations who are participating in the Genetic Services Policy Project, a national project funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration Maternal and Child Health Bureau (Projects # U35MC02601 and # U35MC02602). These organizations represent the major players on the demand side of genetic services markets: consumers, public and private third party payers, and developers of information technologies used by these groups. A primary purpose of the Genetic Services Policy Project (GSPP) is to translate research relevant to genetic services into practice. To achieve this purpose, the project investigators identified and convened a diverse group of stakeholders and will elicit their opinions, strategies, and policy objectives. The investigators will use this information to develop focused and objective information for use by policy makers, professional and trade organizations, payers, and consumers to improve the model through which genetic services are delivered. The proposed panelists represent key stakeholder organizations involved in the Genetic Services Policy Project. This session is an opportunity for genetic service providers to be informed about the different perspectives of consumers, payers, and information technology developers with respect to the delivery of genetic services. It is also an opportunity to discuss alternative delivery models for genetic services in the context of key stakeholders' interests.

Goals of this session:

Participants will be able to identify

- 1) Key stakeholders in the delivery of genetic services
- 2) Issues important to specific stakeholders
- 3) Policy options for alternative genetic services delivery models

Speakers* :

Eric Book, Senior Vice President, Chief Medical Officer, Blue Shield of California

Alissa Johnson, National Conference of State Legislatures

Frank Papapothefonis, Aequitas

Sharon Terry, Genetic Alliance

Rick Carlson, JD, University of Washington

Moderator:

Debra Lochner Doyle, MS, CGC, Washington State Department of Health Genetic Services Section

* Speakers' travel expenses (airfare, one night hotel, car rental/ground transportation, and per diem) will be paid by ACMG per the Financial Guidelines for Moderators and Speakers.