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2014 Business Meeting  
Presentation  
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# Agenda

- Board of Directors
- Nominations & Elections Process
- Programs Accredited in 2014
- Fees 2014-2015
- Volunteers
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Initiatives



# Board of Directors 2014

- Robin Bennett, CGC, President
- Sarah Noblin, CGC, Director
- Kathy Valverde, CGC, Director
- Meredith Weaver, CGC, Program RC Chair
- Kathy Doig, PhD, MT (ASCP), Treasurer/Public Director
- Amanda Bergner, CGC, Director
- Patricia McCarthy Veach, PhD, Director
- Nancy Callanan, CGC, Director



# Nominations & Elections

## Nominating Committee

Holly Peay, Chair

Kathy Valverde, Board Liaison

Kelly Ormond

Heather Zierhut

Jehannine Austin

Angie Trepanier



# Board of Directors

**Thank you to our outgoing  
Founding Board Member!**

**Kathy Valverde**

**Welcome to our incoming Board Members!**

**Meredith Weaver**

**Jenna Scott**

**Ann Walker**



# 2015 Officers

- Sarah Noblin, President
- Meredith Weaver, PRC Chair
- Kathy Doig, Treasurer
- Robin Bennett, Immediate Past President

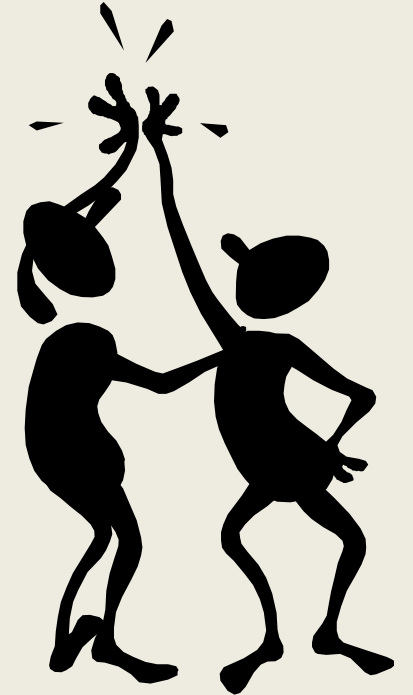
# Programs Reaccredited in 2014

- University of Texas
- University of Oklahoma
- University of South Carolina
- University of Minnesota
- McGill University
- University of Utah
- Boston University



# Due for Reaccreditation in 2015

- Emory University
- University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
- Northwestern University
- Virginia Commonwealth University





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# Changes in Programs' Accreditation

Howard University's Genetic Counseling program is no longer an ACGC accredited program, effective July 2014



# New Programs

- No new programs accredited or applications received in 2014
- Extended length of accreditation to cover two years of graduating classes
  - e.g., accept class in 2014, up for accreditation in 2018
- Name change from Provisional Accreditation to Accredited, New Program



# Annual Fees

2015

\$4,000 for Programs holding Full Accreditation

\$4,500 for Programs holding or applying for Accredited New Program Status or holding Probationary Status

# Site Visit Fees

The site visit fee is based on the total number of students enrolled at the time of the site visit

< 30     \$4,500

> 30     \$6,000

# Thank you to our Volunteers

- Finance Committee
- Nominating Committee
- Program Review Committee (PRC)
- Site Visit Committee
- Site Visitors
- Online Application Taskforce



# Finance Committee 2014

- Kathy Doig, Treasurer
- Robin Bennett, President
- Cathi Rubin Franklin, Former Treasurer
- Jennifer Farmer, At Large



# Program Review Committee 2013 - 2014 Review Cycle

Meredith Weaver, Chair



- Sarah Noblin
- Lisa Catalano
- Caitlin Lawson
- Catriona Hippman
- Michelle Jackson
- Rachel Vanneste
- Amanda Bergner
- Kathy Valverde
- Nancy Callanan
- Pat McCarthy Veach
- Christina Palmer

# Online Application Taskforce

Cecelia Bellcross & Kathy Valverde, Co-Chairs

- Holly Peay
- Kate Reed
- Maryann Champion
- Angie Trepanier
- Robin Bennett







# 2014 Site Visitors

- Toni Pollen
- Arti Pandya
- Heather Crestwick
- Marlene Huggins
- Tina Cowan
- Tan Wen Hann
- April Studinsky
- Jerome Yankowitz
- Richard Pauli
- Diane Masser-Frye
- Sheetal Parmar
- Heather Stalker
- Gordon Hutcheon
- Andrea Harbison
- Stephanie Cohen
- Cheryl Dickerson
- Megan Marshall
- Chris Tan
- Nancy Kramer
- Carolee Noonan
- Ora Gordon

# Initiatives

## Workforce issues



- Invited by ACMG to attend the Banbury conference on medical geneticist training (Feb)
- Participated in AGCPD Program Directors Retreat (July)
- NSGC Workforce Task Force
- Continuing to explore accreditation practices and trends in education

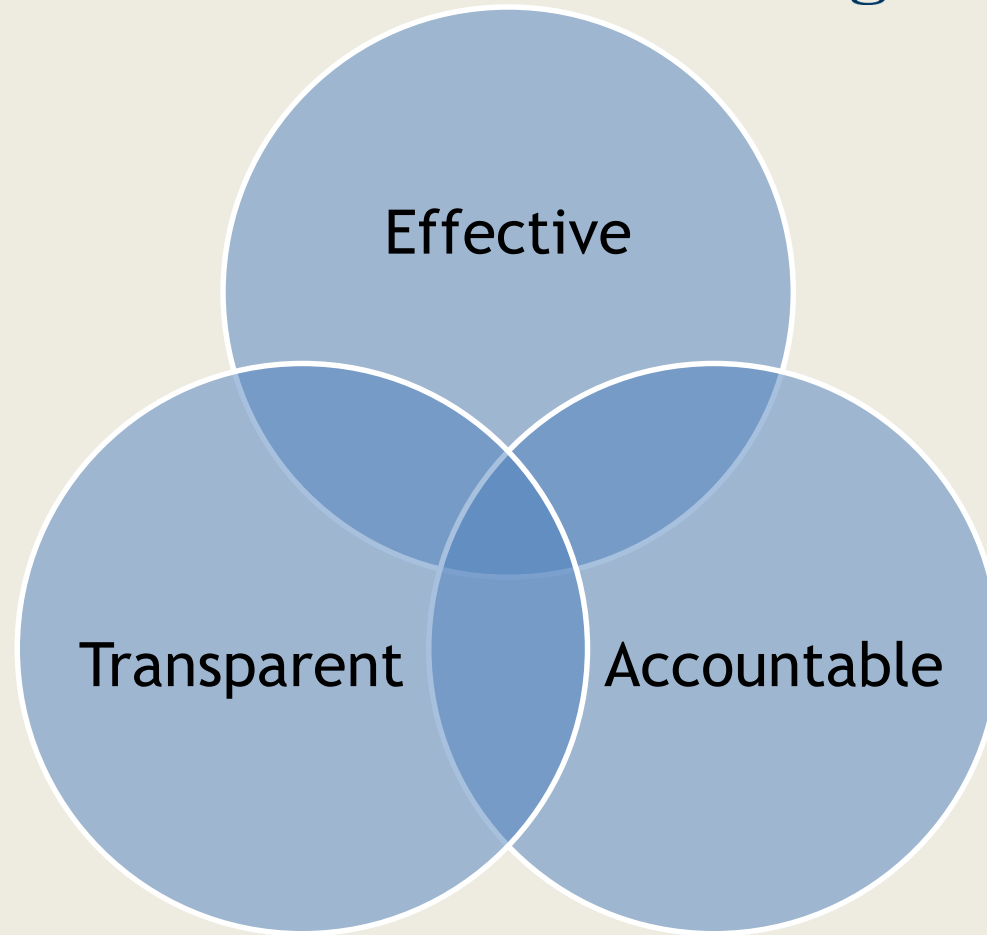
# Initiatives

- Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA)
- Site visitor qualifications and team composition
- Standardized Training for PRC and Site Visitors
- Role of Medical Geneticist
- Online Application System
- Strategic Planning

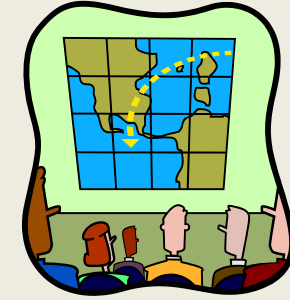


# ACGC

Accreditation Council  
for Genetic Counseling



# Strategic Initiatives



- ACGC will define its scope and mission.
- ACGC will review, revise, develop and implement policies and procedures to improve internal operations and services to constituents to support the mission and scope of ACGC.
- ACGC will monitor trends in accreditation, higher education and genetic counseling practice to establish accreditation standards, processes and procedures that preserve the quality of the professional preparation while allowing institutions flexibility in design and delivery of educational programs.

# Questions?



THANK YOU

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