

National Genetics Education and Family Support Center

Linking families to genetics

WHO WE ARE

The National Genetics Education and Family Support Center (Family Center) works to increase access to genetic services by promoting and strengthening family engagement in the genetic health care delivery system. By connecting family leaders and the public to genetics information through the federally funded National Coordinating Center and the seven Regional Genetics Network (RGNs), we aim to improve access to quality genetic services, with a focus on reaching medically underserved populations..

OUR COMMITMENT

Committed to supporting them as they navigate the genetics healthcare delivery system, we ensure that families are getting actionable, digestible information to feel empowered in their healthcare decisions.



Advisory Committee

Supports the Family Center in ensuring strong family-professional partnerships and that families are central to the genetic healthcare delivery systems around the nation and U.S. Territories.



Workgroup on Inclusion

Asks the hard questions and engages in the difficult conversations to identify inequities and barriers to inclusion so that we can address them and achieve a more inclusive and vibrant community.

WORKING TOGETHER

The Family Center encourages patient-centered outcomes by supporting individuals and families who at risk for a genetic condition to better engage with healthcare services by:

- **Conducting** staff and family trainings
- **Identifying**, promoting, and maintaining online resources
- **Providing** technical assistance and leadership opportunities to the RGNs and National Coordinating Center
- **Supporting** the collaboration between family-led organizations, the National Coordinating Center, the RGNs, and the Family Center

WHAT WE DO

We work to link families to quality genetic services by:



Promoting and facilitating partnerships with RGNs, families, and family-led organizations



Helping families develop the skills to partner with professionals and improve systems of care



Increasing access to genetics education and support resources such as DiseaseInfoSearch.org



Assisting with outreach to diverse families, and those living in medically underserved areas

To learn more about the Family Center or get involved with your Regional Genetics Network, please contact **Molly Martzke** (mmartzke@expectinghealth.org) or visit NationalFamilyCenter.org