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ACMG Salary Survey Statistics Released

The Final Report of the 2007 ACMG Salary Survey is now available in the Members Only section of the ACMG website. This report presents findings from the first national survey to specifically collect data about the compensation of MD and PhD Medical Geneticists in the United States. The Final Report supersedes the Preliminary Report released in November 2007. It includes 25th and 75th percentile salaries, salary comparisons based on administrative positions, and salary comparisons based on the number of laboratory directors at a site and by director title (e.g., Senior Director, Co-Director, Associate Director, etc.). The American College of Medical Genetics will continue to conduct salary surveys of the profession on a periodic basis, with findings available as a “Members’ Only” benefit. Non-member survey participants may contact the ACMG office at acmg@acmg.net or (301) 634-7127 for instructions on how to access the Report. If you are neither an ACMG member nor a survey participant but would like to purchase the 2007 Salary Survey Report, please contact acmg@acmg.net for an order form.

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If you are interviewed by the media for a genetics story and think ACMG possibly should be included, please refer reporters to the ACMG Online Newsroom at www.acmg.net or have them contact Kathy Beal, MBA, ACMG Media Relations Officer at kbeal@acmg.net. “Together, we can ensure that current and accurate information about medical genetics is conveyed to the media and public,” said Kathy Beal.

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Tampa, Florida