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AMERICAN COLLEGE OF MEDICAL GENETICS

Positions Available

Genetic Associate

Mayo Clinic has an opening for a Genetic Associate in the Department of Laboratory Medicine & Pathology. This individual works with departmental supervisors, consultants and other support staff; provides pre- and post-testing consultation and technical support for genetic testing; and provides high level genetic testing expertise to physicians and clients. The regular work schedule is Monday-Friday.

The position requires a Master's Degree in Human Genetics or Genetic Counseling from an approved program. Board Certified by the ABMG or ABGC, eligibility to sit for the Genetic Counseling Board certification exam given by the American Board of Genetic Counseling is desirable. Prior experience as laboratory liaison with biochemical genetics focus preferred. Active demonstration of ongoing personal development and professional growth also desired.

The successful candidate must demonstrate excellent organizational skills. Must be able to work independently as well as being a good team player. Highly developed interpersonal and communication skills are essential to enable collaboration with multiple disciplines.

As a leader in healthcare, Mayo Clinic offers an excellent salary and benefits package. Qualified candidates should send or fax resume to: Mayo Clinic, Carrie Miesbauer, HR Staffing Center, OE-1, 200 1st Street SW, Rochester, MN 55905. Mayo uses optical scanning technology. Please use a 12 point font in your resume with minimal use of bullets, italics, underlining, and bolding.

Please refer to job posting #99-2248.GM. Mayo Clinic is an affirmative action and equal opportunity educator and employer.

Clinical Geneticist, Henry Ford Medical Group, Detroit, Michigan

The Department of Medical Genetics in the Henry Ford Medical Group is seeking an ABMG BC/BE clinical geneticist. The successful candidate will be a pediatrician or internist with strong teaching or research interests. The primary responsibility will be clinical, as pediatric, adult, and prenatal genetics clinics are held daily, including outreach clinics and disease specific cancer and neurogenetics clinics. The clinics are

supported by nationally recognized DNA Diagnostic and Cytogenetics Laboratories. The Department serves the Henry Ford Health System (the largest integrated medical system in Michigan), Children's Hospital of Michigan, and many other hospitals and clinics throughout southeast Michigan. Medical Genetics employs 16 professional staff including five clinical geneticists, two PhD medical/laboratory geneticists, five genetic counselors, and four genetic nurses. We have an RRC approved Clinical Genetics Residency Training Program, and an ABMG accredited training program in PhD medical genetics, cytogenetics, and molecular genetics. Research opportunities are abundant. HFHS is an affiliate of Case Western Reserve University, and faculty appointments are available through CWRU and Wayne State University. The compensation is competitive and commensurate with experience, and the benefit package is excellent. Henry Ford Health System is an equal opportunity employer. Send a C.V. and letter of interest to: Daniel L. Van Dyke, PhD, Chair, Department of Medical Genetics, Henry Ford Medical Group, 2799 West Grand Blvd., Detroit, MI 48202.

BC/BE Clinical geneticist

The department of medical genetics, Children's National Medical Center is recruiting a full-time BC/BE clinical geneticist. Academic appointment at the assistant professor level will be in the Department of Pediatrics at The George Washington University School of Medicine. The successful candidate will have experience in dysmorphology and metabolic disease. An interest in craniofacial genetics is desirable. Inquiries, including curriculum vitae and three letters of reference should be addressed to Cynthia J. Tifft, MD, PhD, Department of Medical Genetics, Children's National Medical Center, 111 Michigan Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20010-2970. CNMC is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Chairperson: Department of Human Genetics

Virginia Commonwealth University is seeking an outstanding scientist/leader to become the Chairperson of its Department of Human Genetics in the School of Medicine on the Medical College of Virginia Campus. The Department has a distinguished history of excellence in research, education, and the provision of clinical genetic services. Current research interests of the faculty include molecular cytogenetics, gene localization and

regulation, statistical genetics/genetic epidemiology, genetics of complex traits, biochemical genetics, and clinical genetic research projects dealing with a wide variety of clinical, behavioral, and molecular phenotypes and disorders. The Department has a PhD granting program, postdoctoral training in Human Genetics, a Master's degree training program in genetic counseling, and teaching responsibilities in the Schools of Medicine and Dentistry and throughout the university. The Department is an integral part of the academic health center and is the principal provider of Clinical Genetic and Cytogenetic Services to the 1.7 million citizens in the Central Virginia Area. VCU is home to the Mid-Atlantic Twin Registry and the Virginia Institute of Psychiatric and Behavioral Genetics.

The successful candidate must hold an MD and PhD, or both and have the breadth of interest, leadership ability, administrative skills, and vision to chart the

course of the department into the next millennium. It is expected that the successful applicant will currently hold the academic rank of full Professor or its equivalent and will have established an ongoing competitive research program. The position will be supported by a newly endowed Chair in Human Genetics.

Interested applicants should contact David S. Wilkinson, MD, PhD, Chairman, Human Genetics Search Committee, c/o Larry Vetter, Administrator, Department of Pathology at P.O. Box 980662, Richmond, Virginia, 23298-0662. Applications should include a complete curriculum vitae, a brief summary of the candidate's professional background, and vision of the future role of academic departments of human genetics, and three letters of reference.

Virginia Commonwealth University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Women, minorities, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Join Us For The Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting March 9–12, 2000 Palm Springs, California

The Call for Papers will be mailed in September to all ACMG and NSGC members. Others should request a copy. The following is an outline of plans by the ACMG and the March of Dimes as of May 1999.

Thursday, March 9

High School Day

Committee and Board meetings

Afternoon and evening: short, intensive "clinics" on advanced counseling skills, informed consent, billing/reimbursement

Friday and Saturday, March 10 and 11

Distinguished speakers symposium and one other plenary session

"Unknowns" and "rare knowns" session

Luncheon focus groups and/or special interest groups

Poster presentations, platform presentations and exhibits

Workshops—Proposed topics include:

- genetics of deafness
- integrating clinical genetics into the medical community as a whole
- clinician/laboratory interactions
- cystic fibrosis
- fetal (prenatal) dysmorphology
- genetic counseling for mitochondrial disorders
- genetic telemedicine
- genetics of infection
- screening: a public health issue
- advances in laboratory medicine

Colonel Sanders Award

Reception

Sunday, March 12: March of Dimes—Mitochondrial Disorders

Pruzansky Lecture: Mitochondrial diseases in men and mice: *Douglas Wallace*

Diseases due to mtDNA mutations: *Salvatore DiMauro, Eric Schon, Darryl De Vivo*

Diseases due to nuclear DNA defects: *Grazia Isaya, Eric Shoubridge, Carlos Moraes*

Diseases due to defects in intergenomic signaling: *Michio Hirano, Anu Suomalainen, David Clayton*