# missionstatement, CMEs and CEUs

## **ACMG CME Mission Statement**

The ACMG will provide and sponsor continuing education program for geneticists, other health care providers and the public. The primary target audience will be the membership of the College. To fulfill its mission, the ACMG strives to:

- > Sponsor the Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting and other workshops, courses and individual activities as are deemed necessary and/or of interest to its members.
- > Review evaluation results from each ACMG-sponsored program.
- ➤ Conduct assessments to determine the CME needs of its members.

#### **OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETING**

- 1. Learn about the latest developments in the rapidly evolving field of medical genetics.
- 2. Develop advanced counseling skills and understand the issues involved in obtaining informed consent.
- 3. Learn techniques to promote the value of geneticists to our medical colleagues and understand how to overcome obstacles to clinicians/researcher interactions.
- 4. Update and review advances in the medical management and understanding of genetic factors in human infection, the genetics of deafness, prenatal dysmorphology and clinical issues in mitochondrial disorders.
- 5. Explore controversial issues in population screening for cystic fibrosis, newborn screening and hemochromatosis.
- 6. Obtain a thorough understanding of the genetics of mitochondrial disorders.

#### **PHYSICIANS**

The American College of Medical Genetics is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The American College of Medical Genetics takes responsibility for the content, quality and scientific integrity of this CME activity. The College designates the 2000 Annual Clinical Genetics meeting for up to 28 hours in Category 1 credit toward the AMA Physician's Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity. CME registration forms will be available at the meeting and must be completed and handed in at the Registration Desk or sent to the ACMG together with a check for \$20. Certificates will be mailed in April.

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#### **GENETIC COUNSELORS**

As an organization approved by the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC) and the American Psychological Association (APA), the American Counseling Association (ACA) is offering this program for up to 28 contact clock hours of continuing education credit (2.8 CEU's). ACA adheres to NBCC and APA continuing education guidelines. ACA is offering 10 contact clock hours for one (1) continuing education unit as approved by the American Board of Genetic Counseling.

CEU forms will be available at the Registration Desk. Each genetic counselor who wishes to obtain CEU's must sign in daily and initial twice each day, and pay \$20. Only cash and checks made payable to the National Society of Genetic Counselors (NSGC) are acceptable.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

## 2001 **ANNUAL CLINICAL GENETICS MEETING**

March 1-4, 2001 Hyatt Regency, Miami, FL

Workshop proposals are being accepted for the 2001 Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting. To request a proposal form, contact the ACMG Administrative Office at the address above. Submissions must be received by May 1, 2000.

> **ACMG Membership Meeting** 5:15 pm-6:15 pm Saturday, March 11, 2000 **Oasis 2. Palm Springs Convention Center**