

MISSION

To help Maine's families
take charge of
genetic disorders
through
education, support and referral

Our goal is to provide information
and free clinics for families
with genetic conditions;
this will enable them to make
informed decisions about medical
surveillance for early detection and
improved quality of life.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Financial support is received from
grants, philanthropic groups, and both
individual and family donors during our
annual fund-raising campaign.

We are pleased to note that many of the
families served by our clinics have
chosen to become regular supporters of
the Center's work.

For more information
and/or referrals

contact us at

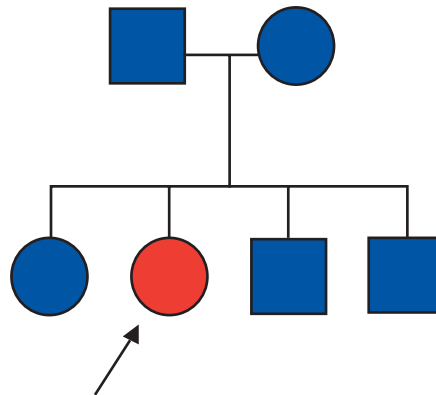
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WHO WE ARE

Founded in 1968, the Center for Human Genetics is a 501(c)(3) non-profit volunteer organization that provides genetic information to families and health professionals through consultation and clinics.



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Clinic professionals include physicians and geneticists, with social workers, physical therapists, developmental, educational, and behavioral specialists also participating.

All services are provided without a fee through the work of our volunteer staff.

HOW WE CAN HELP

For Health Care Providers:

- Direct staff consultations
- Literature review and research
- Educational presentations

For Families:

- Clinics to evaluate individuals and families with genetic disorders and/or diseases with genetic implications
- Written reports, supplemental and resource materials following each clinic visit
- Consultations, information, referrals

Genetics and molecular biology are rapidly advancing sciences. Genetic knowledge and understanding have become increasingly important in the diagnosis, prevention, management, and treatment of a growing number of diseases and conditions.

Today, health care and medical practice frequently include genetic information as an integral part of a comprehensive evaluation.

Disorders for which families have received counseling during previous clinics conducted by the Center for Human Genetics:

- Cancer:
Breast, Prostate, Ovarian, Colon, Thyroid, and many others with genetic significance
- Atherosclerotic and Cardiovascular Disease
- Neurologic Disorders:
Multiple Sclerosis
Neurofibromatosis
Charcot-Marie-Tooth Neuropathy
Alzheimer Disease
Dyslexia
Huntington Disease
Parkinsonism
Friedreich Ataxia
- Achondroplasia
- Hemophilia
- Hemochromatosis
- Osteogenesis Imperfecta
- Klinefelter Syndrome
- Mucopolysaccharidoses
- Glaucoma
- Cataracts
- Retinitis Pigmentosa
- Macular Degeneration
- Down Syndrome
- Bipolar Disorder
- Schizophrenia
- Renal Disease
- Diabetes
- Alcoholism