



Association of Genetic Nurses and Counsellors

SPRING MEETING

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS & POSTERS

Monday 15th April 2013

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**Collingwood College
University of Durham
DURHAM**

**Closing date for abstracts
11th February 2013 (17:00)**

The AGNC Spring meeting provides a popular and important forum for colleagues to share their professional experiences and present their work, in both the clinical and research fields, to their peer group.

All contributions for spoken and poster presentations should be submitted online to Dina Kotecha at bshg@bshg.org.uk (up to 250 words), by **11th February 2013** (17:00) at the latest.

All abstracts will be reviewed anonymously by the AGNC Spring meeting Abstract Review committee, who will decide whether an abstract is accepted for spoken or poster presentation. The first author will be informed of the committee's decision by 20th February.

Research and clinical case presentations will be equally welcome. Case presentations should include discussion on the implications for practice. Please indicate if you have given, or plan to give the same / a very similar presentation at another meeting. This will not preclude your presentation from being considered for the AGNC Spring Meeting. ALL members of the Spring Meeting Organising Committee (details below) would be happy to discuss any ideas for presentation.

In addition to spoken papers from the membership we are delighted to have confirmed a variety of talks. Please see attached provisional programme for details and outline of the day. We shall shortly circulate details of suggested accommodation.

We would strongly encourage all colleagues to use the 2013 Spring Meeting to build on the success of previous meetings, and to increase the contribution of the AGNC membership to the development of clinical genetics in the UK.

The AGNC AGM and the GCRB AGM will take place during this Spring Meeting.

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AGNC Spring Meeting Provisional Programme
(Titles of Talks to be Confirmed)

Monday 15th April 2013

09:30 Registration (Tea/Coffee)

10:30 Welcome Address

10:40 - 11:10 Neuromuscular Genetics

Overview and current research into treatment
Newcastle Neuromuscular Genetics Service

11:10 - 12:30 Patients experiences of Genetics

A study of the experiences of families who are referred to paediatric genetics
Emma Clavering, Janice McLaughlin (Policy, Ethics and Life Sciences Research Centre (PEALS) Newcastle University)

A parent's perspective having a child with unknown syndrome
Keith Addison (SWAN UK)

12.30 AGNC AGM

13:00 *Lunch* and poster viewing

14:00 - 15:20 Cleft Lip and Palate

Review of Cleft & Palate Syndromes
Miranda Splitt (Consultant Geneticist, Northern Genetics Service)

Embryology and 4D imaging
Mr Paul Moran (Consultant Obstetrician, RVI, Newcastle)

Antenatally diagnosed Cleft Lip/Palate
Chris Grant (Cleft Lip and Palate Liaison Sister ,RVI, Newcastle)

Parent's Experience with Cleft diagnosis
Gemma Coulman

15:20 *Tea/Coffee*

15:45 - 17:05 Presentations from the Membership

15:45 Presentation 1

16:05 Presentation 2

16:25 Presentation 3

16:45 Presentation 4

19:30 Conference Dinner

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09:30 - 11:00 NEW TECHNOLOGY IN GENETICS part 1

09:30 title to be confirmed
Professor Sir John Burn (Newcastle)

10:15 Bio-informatics
Speaker to be confirmed

11:00 *Tea/Coffee*

11:30 - 12:15 NEW TECHNOLOGY IN GENETICS part 2

11:30 Next Generation Sequencing
Speaker to be confirmed

12:15 *Lunch*

13:15 **GCRB AGM**

13:45 **The Mitochondrial Disease service for Adults and Children**
Dr Robert MacFarland (Newcastle)

14:30- 16:00 PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERSHIP

14:30 Presentation 5

14:50 Presentation 6

15:10 Presentation 7

15:40 Presentation 8

16:00 **Closing Comments and Tea/Coffee**

Accommodation and Travel

The chosen venue is not too far from Durham Railway Station which is on the main East Coast line and is serviced by public transport making it easily accessible. Newcastle Airport is 20 Miles away and there is a Metro rail link to Newcastle Central Station for onward travel to Durham on East Coast Rail. Durham is easily accessible from the A1 both north and south

We will be providing a list of near-by accommodation and detailed travel information in due course. Accommodation might be available at Collingwood College itself.