

**Genomics Special Interest Group Updates
During the NCC Monthly Meetings
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March Report

Call date and time – 3rd Monday – (11:00 -12:00 ET) – 2/21/2011

8 members present

- Interested members are still encouraged to join the group (3rd Mon each month at 11am Eastern).
- Discussed and continuing to work on the following items:
 - revision of goals and objectives
 - Drafting Language to be shared with potential funders
 - Follow-up/include the ThinkTank recommendations.
 - Follow-up on an opportunity presented to the West Virginia PRC- NHGRI
 - Develop an FYI to send out to the NCC so reps can share information with their CABs.
 - Geno-Community Website design is ongoing - (Maduka – taking the lead)
 - Connect with the Fund Development – during the April meeting
 - Following up on possible funding opportunities...

The [*Does It Run In the Family?*](#) toolkit elaborates on all these components of FHH in addition to explaining basic genetics concepts and conditions that can run in the family.

Genetic Alliance invites HRSA-supported health centers to submit proposals to integrate the *Does It Run In the Family?* toolkit into their clinical care or outreach services. Apply now!

- Funding from Genomics & Public Health Office at CDC has been cut drastically...
 - CPHCG in Michigan is committed to looking for funding to continue to support the work we have started
- Develop/Present a Plan of Action for the year at the April meeting.

Next call 3/21/2011 (**3rd Monday – 11:00 -12:00 ET**)

February Report

Proposed Next Steps:

- **Call date and time – 3rd Monday – (11:00 -12:00 ET) – 1/17/2011**
- **6 members present**

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- Increasing our understanding Genomic terms / increasing our vocabulary...
 - Revise/finalize Goals and Objective draft document

- Follow-up on GenoCommunity Think Tank Recommendations - include the Genomics 101 presentation shared by presenter Vence Bonham.
- Follow-up on a potential funding contact at NIH (Beth Meyer), Follow-up with Regions, Follow-up on possible community dialogue session
- Include the Ethical, Legal, and Social aspect of Genomics to our discussions
- Develop a uniform FYI /reporting mechanisms to be shared with NCC and its community boards.
- Encourage all NCC reps to practice the feedback loop to their individual boards.
- Website
- Develop a Plan of Action for the Year

January Report

Ella reported that they had an official meeting on the 20th of December with 7 members participating.

- Still in developmental stages;
- Talked about the structure and what it will look like;
- They will operate with Ella as facilitator;
- Discussed whether members will include the NCC members;
- Include and connect with academics and practice partners who were part of the Think Tank in St. Louis to help move along information in this field;
- Have not decided how the communication will be done either through conference calls or e-mail.
- Working on goals and objectives – both long term and short term.
- It is important to learn the language of Genetics and Genomics and how it fits within our community groups.
- Next meeting is Monday, January 17th.
- Some members of the NCC who helped organize the meeting in St. Louis will help redesign the website.