



ACHDNC
*Secretary's Advisory Committee
on Heritable Disorders in
Newborns and Children*

Call for Self-Nominations to Participate on ACHDNC Workgroups

Call for New Workgroup Members

The Advisory Committee on Heritable Disorders in Newborns and Children (ACHDNC) is accepting nominations for experts and stakeholders in the field of newborn screening to serve on three Workgroups:

1. Education and Training
2. Follow-up and Treatment
3. Laboratory Standards and Procedures

Background

The mission of the ACHDNC is to reduce morbidity and mortality in newborns and children who have, or are at risk for, heritable disorders. The ACHDNC advises the Secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services by providing the following:

- Advice and recommendations concerning grants and projects authorized awarded or funded related to screening for heritable disorders in newborns and children.
- Technical information to develop Heritable Disorders Program policies and priorities to enhance the ability of state and local health agencies to provide screening, counseling and health care services for newborns and children who have or are at risk for heritable disorders.
- Recommendations, advice and information to enhance, expand, or improve the ability of the Secretary to reduce mortality and morbidity from heritable disorders in newborns and children.

The ACHDNC consists of 15 voting members. There are also organizational representatives that provide relevant expertise and perspectives that can inform the activities of the ACHDNC. Organizational Representatives do not vote and are not considered official members of the ACHDNC. The ACHDNC also has Workgroups that focus on topics and interest areas assigned by the ACHDNC. **Workgroup members do not vote and are not considered official members of the ACHDNC.**

How to Apply

Email self-nominations to Morgan Moore (email: MMoore@hrsa.gov). Nominations should include the following:

- Statement of interest. Be sure to include:
 - The Workgroup of Interest (please indicate 1 Workgroup per nomination)
 - Brief description of your expertise and experience that will contribute to the Workgroup
- CV or Résumé - please do **NOT** include PII (e.g. birth date, or SSN, etc)

Due Date

Nominations must be emailed to Morgan Moore (email: MMoore@hrsa.gov) by **12:00PM on Monday, December 17, 2018**. Please indicate the name of the Workgroup in the subject line of the email.

Eligibility and Expectations

- Experts including clinicians, researchers, public health experts, parents, family members, and caregivers, etc are eligible to apply.
- Each member selected can participate on a Workgroup for up to 4 years.
- The ACHDNC/Committee Chair identifies projects and tasks for the Workgroups to address.
- Workgroup members:
 - provide technical expertise to the Committee related to assigned project areas;
 - work on assigned projects and report back to the Committee;
 - are **not** considered Committee members; and
 - do **not** provide advice or products directly to HHS.
- Workgroup members are expected to attend Workgroup meetings (via webinar or in-person) held in conjunction with the quarterly ACHDNC meetings. Future meeting dates can be found on the Committee's website at <https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/heritable-disorders/meetings/index.html>.
- Travel and lodging costs associated with attending meetings in person are **not** covered.
- Past Workgroup members are eligible to apply to participate again, either on the same Workgroup or a different Workgroup.

Selection

Final decisions regarding Workgroup membership will be made by the Chair of the ACHDNC and the Designated Federal Officer. Once selections have been made, applicants will be notified of their status via email.