CDC Public Health Genomics Today -
*Twenty Years in the Making...*

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CDC Public Health Genomics – Twenty Years in the Making

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Newborn Screening
The Largest Public Health Genetics Program in the World

- More than 5 decades in the US started with PKU
- State run public health program that screens 4 million newborns every year
- Identifies more than 10,000 babies with 30+ genetic, metabolic & other disorders
CDC Public Health Genomics: A Brief History

- 1997: CDC Strategic Plan/OPHG
- 1998: First National Conference
- 2001: PH Genomic Competencies
- 2003: CDC Model State Programs
- 2004: Family History Initiative
- 2004: EGAPP Initiative
- 2006: Seed Translation Research Funds to CDC Programs & Academia
- 2010: Fourth National Conference
- 2012: New CDC Strategic Plan
- 2016: CDC Concept of “Precision Public Health”
What will it take?
Genomic Medicine and Public Health Genomics:

Public health is needed to fulfill the promise of genomic medicine

1990
Human Genome Project

1997
Public Health Response
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Evaluating Genomic Tests

G. Palomaki et al
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Family history is an important risk factor for chronic diseases

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P Yoon, Am J Prev Med
February 2003
CDC’s Family History Public Health Initiative

Evaluate the use of family history for assessing risk of common diseases and influencing early detection and prevention strategies

Components

- Assessment of existing strategies & research gaps
- Development of new tools and methods
- Research and evaluation
- Public awareness and provider education
Using My Family Health Portrait you can:

- Enter your family health history.
- Learn about your risk for conditions that can run in families.
- Print your family health history to share with family or your health care provider.
- Save your family health history so you can update it over time.

Talking with your health care provider about your family health history can help you stay healthy!

Learn more about My Family Health Portrait

Create a Family Health History  Use a Saved History

“This Thanksgiving Day, learn about your #familyhealthhistory, share it & act on it. You could save lives!  
http://thndr.me/UQ6EUe”

Support Dr. Muin Khoury in sharing this message.

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CDC State Cooperative Agreements in Cancer Genomics

- Enhancing Cancer Genomic Best Practices through Education, Surveillance, and Policy
- Goal: Provide leadership and build capacity for cancer genomics activities in state public health departments
- 2003-2008: Michigan, Minnesota, Oregon, and Utah
- 2008-2011: Michigan and Oregon
- 2011-2014: Georgia, Michigan, and Oregon
- 2011: Connecticut (Healthy People 2020 Action Award)

http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/breast/what_cdc_is_doing/genomics_foa.htm
CDC’s Genomic Applications Toolkit for Public Health Departments

- **Goal**: Assist state and local public health departments in implementing genomics

http://www.cdc.gov/genomics/implementation/toolkit/index.htm
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### CDC Evidence-based Classification of Genomic Tests

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<th>Supported by a base of synthesized evidence for implementation in practice</th>
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<td>Synthesized evidence is insufficient to support routine implementation in practice; may provide information for informed decision making</td>
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<td>Evidence-based recommendations against use, or no relevant synthesized evidence identified; not ready for routine implementation in practice</td>
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Selected Emerging Public Health Genomic Applications Beyond Newborn Screening

- Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer (BRCA)
- Hereditary Nonpolyposis Colorectal Cancer (Lynch Syndrome)
- Familial Hypercholesterolemia
- Collectively Affect ~2 Million People in US and Most Don’t know it.
- Implementation of specific guidelines can prevent cancer & heart disease, & save thousands of lives every year!
BRCA-associated Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndrome

- Caused by inherited changes in *BRCA1* and *BRCA2* genes
- Increased risk for breast, ovarian, and other types of cancer (high grade prostate, male breast, pancreatic)
- Certain ethnic groups are at increased risk for *BRCA* mutations
  - 1 in 40 Ashkenazi Jews
- Interventions can significantly reduce risk of cancers
Lynch Syndrome

- Increased risk for certain cancers:
  - Colorectal
  - Endometrial (Uterine)
  - Ovarian
  - Bladder
  - Stomach

- Caused by inherited mutations in the $MLH1$, $MSH2$, $MSH6$, $PMS2$, and $EPCAM$ genes that affect mismatch repair

- Interventions can significantly reduce risk of cancers

1 in 30 patients with colorectal cancer has Lynch Syndrome

H Hampel 2010
Cascade Screening for Familial Hypercholesterolemia: Recommendations from National Institute for Clinical Excellence (NICE, 2008)

J Knowles et al. JAMA 2017
Healthy People 2020 Genomics Objectives

- Increase the proportion of women with a family history of breast and/or ovarian cancer who receive genetic counseling.
- Increase the proportion of persons with newly diagnosed colorectal cancer who receive genetic testing to identify Lynch syndrome (or familial colorectal cancer syndromes).
Health disparities: Importance of Public Health Approach

Black young breast cancer survivors less likely to have genetic counseling or testing for hereditary breast and ovarian cancer

- Most commonly reported reason: health care provider did not recommend genetic services

Cragun, D. et al. 2017
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1. Identify evidence-based applications

2. Inform & communicate

3. Integrate into practice & programs
What we do...

1. **Identify** opportunities for genomics to improve health & reduce health disparities by conducting horizon scanning and health impact analyses

K Kolor et al. MMWR 2017
What we do...

2. Inform stakeholders about impact of genomics on population health and health disparities
Precision Public Health

Can We Conduct Public Health Functions With More “Precision”?

The 3 Core Public Health Functions

- **Assessment**
  - More “precision” in measuring population health problems

- **Policy Development**
  - Developing the right intervention for the right population

- **Assurance**
  - More “precision” in delivering interventions & addressing health disparities

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**Precision Public Health for the Era of Precision Medicine**

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The Precision Medicine Initiative 1 promises a new healthcare era. A proposed 1 million—person cohort could create a deeper understanding of disease causation. Improvements in quality of sequencing, reduction in price, and advances in “omic” fields and biotechnology promise a new era, variably labeled personalized or precision medicine. Although genomics is one driver of precision health care, other factors may be as important (e.g., health information technology).

Both excitement and skepticism met the announcement.1 Public health experts are concerned about the disproportionate emphasis on genes, drugs, and disease, while neglecting strategies to address social determinants of health. A prime concern for public health is promoting health, preventing disease, and reducing health disparities by focusing on modifiable morbidity and mortality. In 2014, CDC estimated the annual number of events, evidentiary foundation for use. The following are examples of priority areas.

**Role of Multidisciplinary Public Health Sciences**

Through precision medicine focuses on individualized care, its success truly requires a population-based approach. To learn what interventions work for whom, data on each individual need to be compared with data from large, diverse numbers of people to identify population subgroups likely to respond differently to interventions. In addition, collecting information from large numbers of people is far more informative when diverse people are included from the underlying population. Using data from convenience samples alone (i.e.,

AJPM, 2016
Precision Medicine and Precision Public Health:

- Medicine
- Genomic Medicine
- Precision Medicine
- Public Health
- Public Health Genomics
-Precision Public Health
Thanksgiving Day Thunderclap

Join our #familyhealthhistory Thanksgiving Day Thunderclap! Encourage families to collect & act on their health histories.

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For more information, contact CDC
1-800-CDC-INFO (232-4636)

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