

LABORATORY GENETIC COUNSELOR

The Medical Genomics Laboratory (MGL) of the Department of Genetics at the University of Alabama at Birmingham is seeking applicants for a laboratory genetic counselor (full-time or part-time). Presently, the laboratory is offering comprehensive molecular clinical testing for *all* forms of the neurofibromatoses (NF1, Legius syndrome, spinal NF, segmental NF, NF-Noonan, NF2, schwannomatosis) with referrals from over the world. Furthermore, we offer testing for VHL, PTEN, ARPKD, FraX, Factor V, Factor II, HFE, and MCAD. The MGL has a dedicated, highly professional staff and our testing menu is expanding rapidly.

Primary responsibilities include liaising between referring physicians /counselors and MGL when genetic test results call for further clarification, consenting patients for further molecular studies, developing educational materials on tests offered by MGL, writing (personalized) letters of medical necessity. If the qualified candidate expresses a clinical interest, the job may be structured to include some involvement in a clinical setting and in the development of the UAB genetic counselors training program.

Qualified candidates should have excellent communication skills, have knowledge of genetic lab procedures, and be well organized. Preference will be given to individuals that are Board Certified in Genetic Counseling with previous laboratory operations experience. However, this position is opened to either Board Eligible or Certified individuals.

UAB offers regionally competitive salaries and a competitive benefit package. Benefits include tuition reimbursement, health and dental insurance, generous allowances for vacation, sick leave, and personal holidays, and an excellent retirement program. UAB is located in the heart of Birmingham, a growing metropolitan area that offers a pleasant climate, affordable housing, and southern hospitality.

Interested candidates can send a cover letter, C.V., and 3 references to:

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