# National Human Genome Research Institute Short Course in Genomics 2016 Nurse, Physician Assistant and Faculty Track

# National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD

August 1-3, 2016

#### **Short Course Overview**

The NHGRI Short Course in Genomics is a partnership between two branches of NHGRI's Division of Policy, Communications and Education. The Genomic Healthcare Branch offers a track for nurses, nurse practitioners and physician assistants, as well as the faculty who educate them.

The nurse, physician assistant and faculty track includes lectures provided by leaders in health professional genomic education. Sessions on the third day, tailored to either educators or clinicians, facilitate interactivity between participants and presenters. Educators will provide recommendations for incorporating genomic competencies into curricula, while clinician presenters will describe best practices for integrating genomics and genetic testing into practice. Class size is limited; interested nurse, physician assistant and faculty are encouraged to apply early.

### Background

The National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) led the National Institute of Health's (NIH) contribution to the International Human Genome Project (HGP) with its primary goal of sequencing the human genome, which was completed in April 2003. Since then, the NHGRI's mission has expanded to encompass a broad range of studies aimed at understanding the structure and function of the human genome and its role in health and disease. To that end, the NHGRI supports the training of investigators and the dissemination of genome information to the public and to health professionals.

The Genomic Healthcare Branch (GHB) of the NHGRI supports a range of programs to educate health professionals in genetics and genomics. Education initiatives include the Genetics and Genomics Competency Center (G2C2; <u>http://g-2-c-2.org/</u>), a repository of educational resources for health professionals and several lecture series, including "Understanding Genetic Testing" for insurers (<u>https://www.genome.gov/27563343</u>).

#### **Course Dates and Location**

The 2016 NHGRI Short Course in Genomics will be held August 1 – 3, 2016 at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD. Cost

The course is free. Participants and/or their institutions must pay their own costs for travel, meals, and expenses.

## **Application Process**

- Obtain application from course website: <u>http://www.genome.gov/shortcourse/healthprofessionals/</u>
- Submit completed application with your CV and support letter to Dr. Donna Messersmith, Course Director, by email (<u>donna.messersmith@nih.gov</u>) or fax (301-480-5008)
- Application Submission Deadline: May 20, 2016, 5 pm ET.
- Only completed applications containing CV, support letter, and answers to questions on application will be considered.
- Applicants will be notified via email of their application outcome by June 10, 2016.

Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

