

Virtual Conference Agenda

Start (BST)	Finish (BST)	Presenter details
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Wednesday, 27 October 2021

06:00	06:10	<p>Welcome</p> <p><i>Scientific Programme Committee:</i></p> <p>Jehannine Austin, The University of British Columbia, Canada</p> <p>Charlotta Ingvaldstad Malmgren, Karolinska University Hospital, Sweden</p> <p>Annie Qurratulain Hasan, Kamineni hospital, L.B Nagar, Hyderabad, India</p> <p>Anna Middleton, Wellcome Connecting Science, UK</p>
06:10	06:40	<p>Keynote lecture</p> <p>Introduction to the session</p> <p><i>Chair: Charlotta Ingvaldstad Malmgren, Karolinska University Hospital, Sweden</i></p>
06:10	06:40	<p>Development of genetic counselling in the UK: conversations with those who were there</p> <p>Christine Patch, Wellcome Connecting Science, UK</p>
06:40	08:40	<p>Session 1: Evolution of GC profession around the world</p> <p>Introduction to the session</p> <p><i>Chair: Charlotta Ingvaldstad Malmgren, Karolinska University Hospital, Sweden</i></p>
06:40	07:00	<p>Professional development of genetic counsellors in Asia</p> <p>Juliana Lee, Professional Society of Genetic Counselors in Asia</p>
07:00	07:20	<p>The development of genetic counselling profession across Europe: the role of the European Board of Medical Genetics</p> <p>Milena Paneque, University of Porto, Portugal</p>
07:20	07:40	<p>Genetic counsellors, legal recognition, and the road less travelled: A canadian perspective</p> <p>Ma'n Zawati, McGill University, Canada</p>
07:40	07:50	<p>Genetic counselling education during COVID-19: Lessons learned</p> <p><i>Jan Hodgson, The University of Melbourne, Australia</i></p>
07:50	08:10	<p>Lightning talks</p>
08:10	08:40	<p>Q&A</p> <p><i>Chair: Charlotta Ingvaldstad Malmgren, Karolinska University Hospital, Sweden</i></p> <p><i>Moderator: Annie Qurratulain Hasan, Kamineni hospital, L.B Nagar, Hyderabad, India</i></p>
08:40	09:10	<p>Networking - with facilitators in designated rooms, in the virtual networking space</p>

13:00	14:40	<p>Session 2: Panel discussion - Futuristic genetic counselling - working as part of MDTs/mainstreaming/evolving diagnostics</p> <p>Introduction to the session</p> <p><i>Chair: Anna Middleton, Wellcome Connecting Science, UK</i></p> <p><i>Catherine Beard, Melbourne Health, Australia</i></p> <p><i>Stephanie Cohen, Ascension St. Vincent, USA</i></p> <p><i>Alessia Costa, Wellcome Connecting Science, UK</i></p> <p><i>Emily Higgs, Stanford University, USA</i></p>
14:40	15:10	Networking - with facilitators in designated rooms, in the virtual networking space
19:00	20:50	<p>Session 3: Researching the boundaries of genetic counselling</p> <p>Introduction to the session</p> <p><i>Chair: Jehannine Austin, The University of British Columbia, Canada</i></p>
19:00	19:20	<p>The asset of technologies to genetic counseling</p> <p><i>Barbara Biesecker, RTI international, USA</i></p>
19:20	19:40	<p>GCs with PhDs: Establishing a community of practice for genetic counselors with advanced degrees</p> <p><i>Rachel Mills, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro, USA</i></p>
19:40	19:50	<p>Psychiatric genetic counseling is associated with a decrease in psychiatric hospitalization</p> <p><i>Emily Morris, University of British Columbia, Canada</i></p>
19:50	20:00	<p>Counselling supervision: are we practicing in a safe environment at genetic services?</p> <p><i>Lidia Guimarães, Aajude, Portugal</i></p>
20:00	20:20	Lightning talks
20:20	20:50	<p>Q&A</p> <p><i>Chair: Jehannine Austin, The University of British Columbia, Canada</i></p> <p><i>Moderator: Anna Middleton, Wellcome Connecting Science, UK</i></p>
20:50	21:20	Networking - with facilitators in designated rooms, in the virtual networking space

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06:00 07:30 Session 4: GC in a patriarchal society

Introduction to the session

Chair: Annie Qurratulain Hasan, Kamineni hospital, L.B Nagar, Hyderabad, India

06:00 06:20 Genetic counselling experiences in handling an X linked disorder in a patriarchal society- Case duchenne muscular dystrophy
[B.R Lakshmi, Molecular Diagnostics, Counseling, Care & Research Centre \(MDCRC\), India](#)

06:20 06:40 Ethical and Cultural Challenges faced in Genetic Counseling in the UAE
[Sonika-Sachanandani Phulwani, Mediclinic Middle East, UAE](#)

06:40 06:50 Challenges of Genetic testing and Counseling in families with life threatening Long QT syndromes
Bijal (Ria) Vyas, Institute of Medical Genetics and Genomics, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi, India

06:50 07:00 Genetic Democracy: Dismantling Patriarchal Influences through education, empowerment & by being creative in a genetic counselling setting
Niby J E, Bluegene Healthtech Pvt Ltd, India

07:00 07:30 Q&A
Chair: Annie Qurratulain Hasan, Kamineni hospital, L.B Nagar, Hyderabad, India
Moderator: Charlotta Ingvaldstad Malmgren, Karolinska University Hospital, Sweden

07:30 08:00 Networking - with facilitators in designated rooms, in the virtual networking space

13:00 14:50 Session 5: GC and communication

Introduction to the session

Chair: Charlotta Ingvaldstad Malmgren, Karolinska University Hospital, Sweden

13:00 13:20 So...what is genetic counselling? Communicating what we do; lessons from science communication
[Jonathan Roberts, Wellcome Connecting Science, UK](#)

13:20 13:40 Genetic counselling and genetic testing in Russia
[Vera Izhevskaya, Research Centre for Medical Genetics, Russia](#)

13:40 13:50 Risk profiles of psychological distress after cancer susceptibility genetic testing
Adrià López, Vall d'Hebron University Hospital, Spain

13:50 14:00 Health professionals experiences and perceptions on termination of pregnancy for serious congenital
Malebo Malope, Stellenbosch University, South Africa

14:00 14:20 Lightning talks

14:20 14:50 Q&A
Chair: Charlotta Ingvaldstad Malmgren, Karolinska University Hospital, Sweden
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14:50 15:10 Networking - with facilitators in designated rooms, in the virtual networking space

15:10 15:50 Session 6: Panel discussion - use of counselling supervision

Introduction to the session

Chair: Anna Middleton, Wellcome Connecting Science, UK

Mark Lough, Mark Lough Consulting Ltd, UK

Liz Brimacombe, Principal Counselling Psychologist, UK

15:50 16:20 Networking - with facilitators in designated rooms, in the virtual networking space

19:00 20:50 Session 7: Leaders in GC: case studies and stories of leadership

Introduction to the session

Chair: Jehannine Austin, The University of British Columbia, Canada

19:00 19:20 Navigating across sectors: Policy and the profession

[*Clara Gaff, Melbourne Genomics Health Alliance, Australia*](#)

19:20 19:40 Evolvement of genetic counsellors in Sweden- The long and winding road

[*Charlotta Ingvoldstad Malmgren, Karolinska University Hospital, Sweden & Rebecka Pestoff, Linköpings University Hospital, Sweden*](#)

19:40 20:00 Past, present and future of genetic counseling in India

Maya Thangavelu, Applied Genetics Consulting, USA

20:00 20:10 Diversity and inclusion in genomics: A competence framework

Saghira Malik Sharif, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust, UK

20:10 20:20 Lightning talks

20:20 20:50 Q&A

Chair: Jehannine Austin, The University of British Columbia, Canada

Moderator: Anna Middleton, Wellcome Connecting Science, UK

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21:20 21:30 Closing remarks

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