Five-year Action Plan for Genetics in Oklahoma
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Effective public health strategies will ensure access to quality and timely genetic information, screening, education, and family-centered comprehensive services.

The State Genetics Plan is a five-year action plan with the following three goals:

1. Educate providers, policymakers, insurance providers, medical/health career students, the public, affected families, and university and high school students regarding genomics, local genetic resources, genetic services (availability, access, indications, and benefit) and the process of referring for genetic services.

2. Develop and maintain a responsive public health genetics program to plan, implement, monitor, and evaluate genetics education and services in Oklahoma.

3. Maximize the quality of genetic testing and the effectiveness of public health screening programs to serve all the citizens of Oklahoma.

Each goal has three to four objectives with action steps and evaluation components to allow for refinement and modification as needed to meet the plan’s mission. Each goal has five prioritized action steps. To clarify the importance of each goal, an introductory summary of the issues, how they relate to Oklahoma, and the guidance reviewed in development precede each goal’s action plan.