



**2021**

## **ABGC NOMINATIONS PERSONAL STATEMENT FORM**

We are pleased that you are applying for the ABGC Board of Director position. The term for this position will be four (4) years beginning January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2025. *To expedite a review by the Nominating Committee and prepare a ballot, the information you present here will be the information that will appear on the ballot should you be selected for the slate. For detailed information on Board composition and more, please review the [ABGC Bylaws, ARTICLE IV](#).*

The ABGC Board of Directors embraces the idea that strategic Board nomination is an ongoing holistic process.

**Please sign this completed form, answer the open response question and email to [info@abgc.net](mailto:info@abgc.net) with your curriculum vitae (CV) and a high-resolution color photograph (JPEG only) to the Executive Office by June 18, 2021.**

Individuals are elected to the Board of Directors for four (4) years to set direction for ABGC, including:

1. Creating a fair and defensible certification examination
2. Certifying and recertifying individuals
3. Funding research to inform ABGC's mission and genetic counseling practice
4. Promoting leadership among ABGC credential holder
5. Monitoring trends in the field of genetic counseling and in allied health care credentialing and adjusting ABGC guidelines and programs as needed
6. Promoting the value of the CGC credential both nationally and internationally
7. Monitoring the interests and concerns of Diplomates, active candidates, genetic counseling trainees, and program directors with respect to certification and the ABGC credential
8. Representing the Board with dignity, respect and credibility
9. Managing the financial obligations of ABGC

### **Curriculum Vitae (CV)**

Your **CV** should address the following areas:

- Your full name (as it should appear on the ballot), current professional affiliations, advanced degree(s) with year received and awarding institute
- A summary of all your genetic counseling employment experiences (regardless of setting), highlighting specific areas of expertise
- Information about your experience(s) with teaching, publishing, research, media, organizing continuing education programs, developing curricula and exams, diversity and inclusion initiatives, and administration
- Involvement with genetic counseling students (e.g. supervision, thesis committee, etc.)
- Professional memberships
- Professional leadership, volunteer and committee activities
- Additional information (expertise or interest) relevant to serving on the ABGC Board of Directors

### **Open Response Question**

On a separate page, please provide a response to the following (in approximately 600 words or less). *Reflecting on opportunities for CGCs and on ABGC's mission, vision, strategic plan:*

- 1) Propose and describe short and long-term goals for ABGC**
- 2) Describe those qualities, experiences, and skills you will contribute to achieving these goals**

Should you be selected as a nominee, your essay will be part of the package shared with the diplomates who will be voting on the ballot. You may want to frame your response to address that audience.

For your reference, the ABGC mission and core values are stated here.

### Mission Statement

Establish standards of competence for Certified Genetic Counselors and advance their value as leaders in precision health to safeguard and serve the public.

### Core Values

- **Integrity:** Fair and objective decisions, transparency in interactions and accountable stewardship.
- **Responsiveness:** Recognition of and actions taken based on emerging needs.
- **Excellence:** Delivering high value to the profession through rigorous evaluation standards.
- **Inclusivity:** Assessments without bias, respect for all voices and seeking out diverse perspectives.

### Strategic Goals

- **GOAL 1:** Increase transparency around, and accessibility to, ABGC's examination by broadening the opportunities for engagement with all Diplomates and supporting a strengthened culture of inclusion, equity and engagement in the profession.
- **GOAL 2:** Ensure the CGC designation represents competence across a broad scope of genetic counseling practice and reflects best practices in initial assessment and continuing competence.
- **GOAL 3:** Increase and diversify revenue streams to enhance ABGC's impact by reinvesting in our priorities, inclusive of research, DEIJ initiatives and promoting the role of CGCs across the healthcare continuum.
- **GOAL 4:** Expand leadership opportunities for genetic counselors by promoting the expertise and value of certified genetic counselors as essential partners in the development and delivery of precision health and continuing competence.

## Demographic Information

Indicate your geographic location:

**Region 1:** Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts  
New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont

**Region 2:** Delaware, D.C., Maryland, New  
Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West  
Virginia

**Region 3:** Alabama, Florida, Georgia,  
Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina,  
South Carolina, Tennessee, Puerto Rico

**Region 4:** Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa,  
Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri,  
Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Ohio,  
Oklahoma, Wisconsin

**Region 5:** Arizona, Colorado, Montana, New  
Mexico, Texas, Utah, Wyoming

**Region 6:** Alaska, California, Hawaii, Idaho,  
Nevada, Oregon, Washington

**Canada**

Indicate your primary practice area(s):

- Industry
- Education (Program Directors, etc.)
- Research

- Clinical – Large Institution
- Clinical – Private Practice
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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By signing this form, I hereby certify that the information I submit in response to the instructions above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and, if elected, I am willing to serve a four-year term as an ABGC Director on the Board of Directors.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Information should be submitted to the ABGC Executive Office at [info@abgc.net](mailto:info@abgc.net) **NO LATER THAN JUNE 18, 2021**

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