

## **Let's share ideas and opinions on genetic counseling!**

**Date & Time:** October 12th (Thursday), 10:00 AM-12PM, 2-4PM  
October 13th (Friday), 9:00AM- 1PM, 4-5:30PM

**Venue:** Human Genetics Asia 2023, Room 705

**Registration:** Via a form (TBA; limited to the first 30 registrants)

### **Topics of Each GC SIG:**

- **Continuing education for genetic counselors: 10/12 10AM-12PM**
- **EQA (External Quality Assessment) : 10/12 2PM-4PM**
- **Supervision : 10/13 9AM-11AM**
- **Case Study with Asian CGC Reviewing fictitious cases together that require ethical considerations 10/13 11AM-1PM**
- **Asian GC Exchange 10/13 4PM-5:30PM**

### **SIG and GC networking in relation to genetic counseling**

We have organized a session dedicated to genetic counseling at Human Genetics Asia (HGA2023), which is open to all HGA participants, with the aim of creating a lively exchange of ideas on genetic counseling as well as the exchange of new personnel and research.

**The SIG on EQA** will be "Brush Up Your Genetic Counseling Skills by Learning EQA (External Quality Assessment)! EQA is a system of educational external evaluation of the entire genetic practice. The lecturers will be Dr. Ros Hastings (Editor of ISCN and Director of GenQA and Oxford University Hospital) and Prof Sandi Dean, Consultant Clinical Scientist and the Director of Genomics Quality Assessment (GenQA), Professor of Clinical Genomics at the University of Edinburgh.

**SIG on Continuing education for genetic counselors** will provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and opinions on various aspects of post-graduate education for genetic counselors.

**Supervision's SIG** will include lectures on actual supervision and discussions about supervision. If you are lucky, you may be matched with a supervisor of your choice.

**On the SIG of Case Study with Asian CGC:** Reviewing fictitious cases together that require ethical considerations, we aim to discuss the differences and similarities between Asia and Japan regarding the ethical aspects of genetic counseling and gain new insights.

**Asian GC Exchange :** We plan to have participants introduce themselves in a few minutes, on the GC services in their country, the future directions, challenges and how we can collaborate.

**GC networking** will also be held **throughout the two days on the 12th and 13th**. The theme will be "No GC (genetic counseling)! No Life!," and communication projects include "Training Schools in Japan and their Friends," "Exchange with male genetic counselors:10/12 4PM-5PM," "Exchange of information on non-clinical CGC work 10/12 4PM-5PM"and "The Senryu Presentation,.

In addition, we plan to offer Japanese snacks and give away novelty items.

Please feel free to stop by, chat, and find your research, clinical and nonclinical colleagues!

\*Pre-registration for each GCSIG is preferred, but participants are welcome to attend without registration.

**GC SIGs and Networking Working Group**  
**JACGC: Japanese Association of Certified Genetic Counselors**