

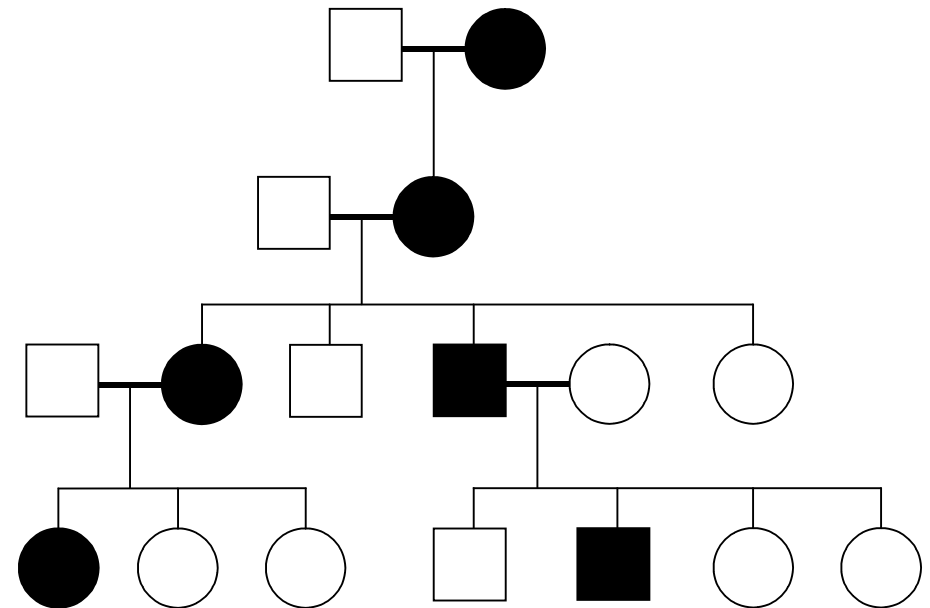
# Louisiana Genetics Program



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Genetics Clinic

## What is Genetic Counseling?

Genetic Counseling is the process of education concerning:

- The impact of a genetic disease on an individual and family
- The long-term outlook for an individual once a diagnosis is established
- The risk for parents, brothers, sisters and other family members to pass on the disease
- Advice on treating and managing the disorder for the affected individual
- The option of prenatal diagnosis

## Services Provided

- Clinical services and counseling by medical geneticists
- Screening and definitive diagnostic tests if needed
- Assistance of social workers, public health nurses and nutritionists

## Bring this information with you ...

### 1. Information about your diagnosis

- Photographs
- Medical records
- X-rays or reports

### 2. Information about your family

- A list of all relatives with the same or similar conditions
- Photographs of these family members
- Your "family tree" - get this from your parents or the family bible: the names and birth dates of three generations of your family with marriages and children with and without the condition

### 3. Information about your insurance

- Name of the insured person
- Company name
- Policy number
- Medicaid number

