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# Report of the European Board of Medical Genetics – 2016/17

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# EBMG

- Established 2013 by ESHG
- Legal and autonomous entity in 2014
- Three equal branches to serve the professions associated with specialist genetic healthcare.



# Purpose of the EBMG

To ensure patients can access safe and effective genetic healthcare by:

- Setting professional standards for health professionals working in the clinical genetics field in Europe
- Setting educational standards for health professionals working in the clinical genetics field in Europe
- Providing systems to enable professionals to demonstrate their professional competence.

# Stakeholders

- Individual practitioners
- Institutions providing education
- National registration or accreditation systems.



# EBMG general news

- Online submission system for registrants in GNGC and CLG branches
- Changes to registration fees to make them more equitable across professions.

# Genetic Nurse and Genetic Counsellor (GNGC) branch

- Now 69 registered. 29 applications this year, 20 eligible, 17 approved
- Contributed to the development of Orphanet Quality Criteria Questionnaire for Genetic Counselling Centres
- New 'associate' systems for applicants and Master courses outside Europe (response to high demand)
- Paper on evaluation of process by registrants accepted.

# Clinical Laboratory Geneticist (CLG) Branch

- 84 applicants this year, 42 already registered exams are ongoing for others
- Working with ESHG to plan further courses to support education of CLGs
- Publication on registration system in EJHG.



# Clinical Genetics and Genomics (Medical)

- European Training Requirements for specialist doctors in genetics have been prepared in collaboration with the UEMS section.

# Changes

Due to my retirement, Professor Angus Clarke will be interim Chair until elections next year.

# Sincere thanks

To all who have supported the EBMG over 4 years, especially....

- The branch members, who work voluntarily for the good of patients and the professions
- The ESHG Executive
- Jerome et al....





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