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Study Name: Barriers to Genetic Services for Parents that have a Child with an Autism Spectrum Disorder

Institution: Howard University, Department of Genetics and Genetic Counseling

Location: Online study; no geographic limitation within the USA

Eligibility Criteria: Parents (at least 18 or over) that have a child with an Autism Spectrum Disorder

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Survey Link: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/F8CZGTQ>

Dear Parent,

Recent advances in technology and research have demonstrated that a clinical genetic evaluation is useful in identifying a cause for a child's ASD. However, despite this increase in genetic knowledge, there are still a very limited number of children with an ASD who are actually receiving genetic services.

This study aims to assess the level of genetic service used in the autism community and to identify the barriers that exist for parents that have a child with an ASD for receiving genetic services.

The study is available online at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/F8CZGTQ>. It involves a 42-item questionnaire and it should take approximately 10 minutes of your time. There is no charge to participate in the study and there is no financial compensation.

While the study is anonymous, research participants have the option to provide their email contact separately from their survey responses if they wish to receive a summary of the research results. The information from this study will serve to educate health care professionals about the unmet genetic service needs of the autism community and help promote genetic awareness to parents that have a child with an ASD.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dawn Lee, Study Coordinator, at (301) 655-8553 or HowardASDGenetics@gmail.com. Thank you in advance for your time and assistance. We look forward working with you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Barbara W. Harrison and the Study Team

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