

IHE Welcomes New Program Director of Genetic Counseling Jennifer Geurts, MS, CGC

The Institute for Health & Equity has appointed Jennifer Geurts, MS, CGC as the new director of the Genetic Counseling program. Ms. Geurts has been a genetic counselor since 2006, and she has worked at the Medical College of Wisconsin since 2011. Her previous role at MCW was the Associate Director of Genetic Counseling in the Genomic Sciences and Precision Medicine Center.

“My focus of care involves utilizing genetic information to help guide early detection and prevention of disease. Health care providers can be better prepared in the delivery of personalized care by understanding what conditions a patient is at risk for developing. Likewise, patients also can play an active role in disease prevention by reducing know modifiable risk factors”-Jennifer Geurts MS, CGC

The Genetic Counseling program’s expected matriculation date is set for August 2021. There is a great need for genetic counselors in medicine. Over the next 10 years the employment for genetic counseling is expected to grow by 27%.

“MCW’s future genetic counseling students in this exciting program will make a significant difference in filling Wisconsin’s workforce needs and helping provide patients with individualized care,” says Joseph E. Kerschner, MD, dean of the MCW School of Medicine, provost and executive vice president of MCW.

