University medical centers and several large hospitals offer genetic services. Outreach clinics are also held at sites throughout the state. Contact the nearest clinic to learn about the services available to you and your family.

**REGION I**
Division of Human Genetics
Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
3333 Burnet Avenue
Cincinnati, OH 45229
(513) 636-4760
www.cincinnatichildrens.org
Cincinnati Outreach Sites:
Clermont

**REGION II**
Department of Medical Genetics
Dayton Children's Hospital
One Children’s Plaza
Dayton, OH 45404
Phone: (937) 641-3800
www.childrensdayton.org
Dayton Outreach Site:
Beavercreek, Franklin & Springfield

**REGION III**
Northwest Associate Genetics Center
Rocket Pediatrics, UT Health
3120 Glendale Avenue, #0001
Toledo, OH 43614
(419) 383-4450
www.utoledo.edu
Toledo Outreach Sites:
Lima | Bowling Green

**REGION IV**
Regional Genetics Center
Nationwide Children’s Hospital
700 Children’s Drive
Columbus, OH 43205
(614) 722-3535
www.nationwidechildrens.org
Columbus Outreach Sites:
Athens | Waverly | Marietta | Zanesville

**REGION V**
Regional Genetics Center
Department of Pediatrics
MetroHealth Medical Center
2500 MetroHealth Drive
Cleveland, OH 44109
(216) 778-4323
http://www.metrohealth.org/body.cfm?id=428

**REGION VI**
Cleveland Outreach Site:
Sandusky

**REGION V**
Regional Genetics Center
Cleveland Clinic Foundation
9500 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44195
(216) 636-1768
800) 988-4785 (toll-free)
http://my.clevelandclinic.org/genomics-genetics/about-us/default.aspx

**REGION VI**
Regional Genetics Center
Children’s Hospital Medical Center-Akron
One Perkins Square
Akron, OH 44308
(330) 543-8792
www.akronchildrens.org
Akron Outreach Sites:
Ravenna | Norwalk

Many people are referred for genetic services by their doctor. If you or your doctor would like to make an appointment, call the Regional Genetic Center in your area. Staff at the Genetics Center will provide further information to prepare you for your visit.
The Ohio Department of Health funds a network of genetics centers in Ohio. These centers help people learn about birth defects and genetic (or inherited) disorders. They also help people who have these disorders learn about treatment and services.

**What is the Regional Comprehensive Genetics Program?**

When should I go to a genetic center? Consider genetic counseling if you...

- Are a couple who:
  - Wants to prepare for and have a healthy pregnancy.
  - Has had two or more pregnancy losses.

- Are a pregnant woman:
  - Who is over 35 years old.
  - With results from a prenatal test or ultrasound that are not normal.
  - Who has used drugs during your pregnancy.

- Have a child who:
  - Has a known disorder.
  - Is behind in their development.
  - Is blind or deaf.

- Have a family history of:
  - An inherited disease
  - Cancer, heart disease, or stroke.

**How can the program help me?**

Trained staff at genetic centers and clinics can help you to:

- Learn the cause of a birth defect or genetic disorder.
- Learn the chance of a birth defect or genetic disorder showing up in your children or other relatives.
- Know how to prepare for and have a healthy pregnancy.
- Learn how to adjust to living with a birth defect or disorder.
- Get help in the area where you live.
- Learn about choices for care, treatment and other factors based on understanding medical genetics, existing treatments and other factors.
- Learn about recent genetic discoveries and current research about your condition.

**What are the Costs?**

Costs vary for the range of services at genetics clinics. Genetic services may be covered by:

- Third party insurance companies.
- Medicaid and other third-party payers such as the Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps (BCMH).
- Financial help may be available for those without insurance based on family need.
- Your family may also qualify for a research protocol covering genetic testing.