

Metabolic Neurobehavioral Genetics Consultation Service

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What is this clinic and how is it different from everything else I've been going to?

The Metabolic Neurobehavioral Genetics (MNG) Clinic is a cooperative effort between the Genetics, Psychiatry and Metabolic Programs at Children's Hospital Boston and the McLean Hospital in Belmont, MA.

The MNG Clinic focuses on helping individuals who have psychological or behavioral issues that are related to their metabolic disorder. The doctors and other healthcare professionals in the Clinic have a lot of experience with metabolic disorders and can help tailor a treatment plan that will take your metabolic disorder directly into consideration.

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What about my other doctors?

The doctors at Children's may contact your other doctors, therapists, etc (with your permission) to give them their recommendations in order that you get the best possible treatment.

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Can I get treatment through the MNG Clinic?

No. The clinic offers treatment recommendations, not the actual treatment. This means that after meeting with you and finding out specifically what you need, the doctors at Children's Hospital Boston will talk with your doctors and therapists. Since the doctors at Children's are experienced in working with metabolic disorders, they can suggest recommendations to your doctor or therapist that take your metabolic disorder into account.

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What if I don't have any other outside care?

The clinic will assist you in getting the care that you need.

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What is the Quality Assurance factor?

The MNG Clinic is a new clinic here at Children's and we want to make sure it works as well as it should so that people with metabolic disorders can receive the best possible care.

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Will my personal information be a part of the Quality Assurance effort?

Any personal information, such as your name, address, birth date, etc. will be kept strictly confidential and will not be included in the Quality Assurance assessment.

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What will you collect for the Quality Assurance?

In order that we can find out if we are helping you, we will be recording general information about your visit, such as what the doctors at Children's recommend, and your symptoms before and after the visit. We will also record the name of your metabolic disorder (but not your name).

Do I have to participate in the Quality Assurance?

Since the MNG Clinic is a new clinic, we need to find out how to make it as beneficial as possible. Therefore, we need to record information about everyone we see. If you do not want to participate in the Quality Assurance, we will do our best to refer you to another service.