Medical Genetics of Nevada LLC

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When Does a Child Need a Genetics Consult? (Not an exhaustive list)

-Autism
-Birth Defects
-Blindness/Unusual presentation for age e.g., cataracts, coloboma, glaucoma, optic nerve atrophy
-Brain anomalies
-Cancer-if rare, multiple types in the same child, unusually aggressive, family history
-Carrier of a genetic condition
-Chromosomal Abnormality
-Congenital heart disease
-Cardiomyopathy, Arrythmia
-Degenerative symptoms
-Dilated/dissected thoracic aorta
-Failure to thrive/poor growth
-Hearing loss
-Intellectual disability/Learning Disability
-In utero exposure to alcohol, illicit drugs, tobacco, medications
-Metabolic Disorder/Inborn Error of Metabolism e.g., PKU, Biotinadase Deficiency etc.
-Newborn Screen-positive
-Precocious or Delayed Puberty
-Psychiatric disease (severe)
-Recognizable/Already diagnosed genetic disorder/suspicion for a genetic disorder e.g., Down Syndrome, Turner Syndrome etc.
-Seizures
-Tall Stature
-Short Stature/Skeletal Dysplasia

<u>Family history</u> of a genetic disorder or family history appears to indicate a genetic disorder. Some examples include:
-Birth defects/Spina Bifida
-Blindness
-Cancer, especially multiple family members, early onset (less than 50 years of age), unusual or rare cancers, multiple cancer clusters (e.g., colon, breast, ovarian)
-Cleft lip/palate
-Congenital heart disease
-Consanguinity
-Hemophilia
-Huntington's Disease
-Infant or childhood death
-Intellectual Disability
-Muscular Dystrophy
-Polycystic Kidney Disease
-Sickle Cell Disease/Trait/Variant

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