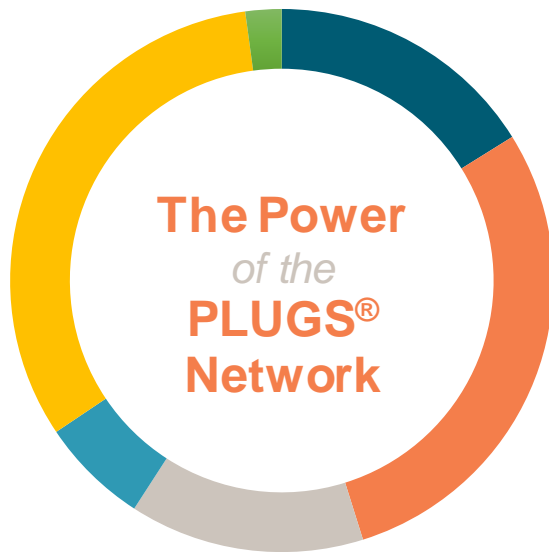


PLUGS® Member Benefits

The Power of the PLUGS® Network: We are a laboratory stewardship collaborative with a mission to improve laboratory test ordering, retrieval, interpretation and reimbursement.

Connect with [members](#) via the PLUGS website Discussion Forum or direct messaging options.



18	Health Systems
23	Hospitals
14	Laboratories
4	Healthcare Companies
29	Free Standing Children's Hospitals
2	Patient Advocacy Groups

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Member Resources

Your PLUGS membership gives you and your colleagues access to practical laboratory stewardship tools and guidance.

- + **Website:** access policies, procedures, templates and archived webinars on the website, with new tools added on a regular basis. Request website access [here](#).
- + **Online Discussion Forum:** an open forum for questions and dialogue among members.
- + **Weekly Newsletter:** notifications regarding educational events, laboratory stewardship cases and questions of the week, and unlimited subscriptions for your organization. [Subscribe to the newsletter!](#)
- + **Office Hours:** a team of lab genetic counselors and doctoral-level consultants is available Monday – Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm (PT) to provide real-time support (206-987-5400).
- + **Consultations:** new member strategic assessments to provide a 1-year road map and practice tools/support for advancing your laboratory stewardship program, and re-assessments for existing members interested in continued improvements/advice.
- + **GeneTestAdvisor:** PLUGS and Metis Genetics have collaborated to create a genetic testing [case management solution](#) to support healthcare systems and insurance payers in effectively administering their genetic testing caseload.



- + **Member Meetings:** *Bii-monthly meetings feature topics suggested and presented by PLUGS members, and are a place to connect with peers, share best practices, and support laboratory stewardship. Review past meetings on the [PLUGS website](#).*

National Webinar Series

Member The PLUGS National Webinar Series features laboratory stewardship experts presenting on an array of laboratory- and management-related topics. Webinars are [archived](#) on the PLUGS website and access is **free** for PLUGS members!

- + *Lab Talk: Get Paid now, Get Paid in the Future: A Realistic Discussion of Payment Models that Affect your Lab*
- + *Cell-free DNA – Everything you ever wanted to know but were afraid to ask*
- + *Lab Data and Informatics: The Currency for Lab Stewardship, Presented by Roche Diagnostics & PLUGS*
- + *Combining Germline and Somatic Pharmacogenomics for Comprehensive Cancer Care*
- + *Financial Toxicity in Pediatric Cancer*
- + *Bad systems not bad people: Surviving the tribulations of Celiac disease testing with the help of a lab stewardship program*
- + *Whole Genome Sequencing for Rare Disease: Dispelling Myths*

PLUGS Summits

PLUGS members receive discounted registration to the PLUGS Summit, the largest laboratory stewardship conference in the country. We typically coordinate two live events each year – the PLUGS Summit held in Seattle, and an additional regional conference.

PLUGS Committees

Join the Insurance Alignment Committee or Informatics Committee. These Committees include engaged members from the PLUGS network who represent a diverse set of perspectives. Contact [PLUGS](#) to learn how you can participate!

- + **Insurance Alignment Committee:** *working groups develop and share best practices related to insurance alignment, including preauthorization workflows, appeal guidance, billing and coding, and medical policy.*
- + **Informatics Committee:** *three working groups have formed to focus on Epic Solutions for Stewardship, Tools for Stewardship, and Case Review Database Solutions.*

Tools

In support of our mission, PLUGS provides tools and guidance to providers, labs and insurance plans, and we want to empower patients and caregivers with resources to help get the right test and get it covered.

- + [Complex lab Tests: How to Get Them Covered](#)
- + [PLUGS Preauthorization Toolkit](#)
- + [Medical Policies](#)

Laboratory Stewardship Focus: Quarterly Section in Clinical Laboratory News

PLUGS supports [CLN's Laboratory Stewardship Focus section](#), covering all aspects of laboratory stewardship using a variety of engaging formats including interviews, articles, literature reviews, cases, and more. Here are a few examples from this past year:

- + *Patient-Centered Laboratory Stewardship Can Reduce Financial Toxicity*
- + *Is a Benefits Investigation Really Beneficial? An interview with Heather Agostinelli*
- + *Moving Toward Patient-centered Laboratory Stewardship*
- + *HbA1c Access and Opportunity During the COVID 19 Pandemic*
- + *The Building Blocks of a Pharmacogenomics Program*

Questions?

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