

Genetic Evaluations

at the Ochsner Genetics Center

Our DNA is made up of genes that contain the instructions for how the body works. Harmful changes to these genes can cause certain medical conditions. These changes can be inherited from one or both parents, or, can happen for the first time in a person. They are referred to as genetic conditions or genetic disorders.

The Ochsner Genetics Center helps patients who have or may have a genetic condition. Our team consists of board-certified medical geneticists, genetic counselors and specially trained staff.

Diagnosis and care of genetic conditions begins with a thorough medical and family history. Your provider may conduct a physical examination and order lab or genetic tests. A typical visit takes about an hour. It includes consultation with a genetic counselor and evaluation by a medical geneticist. We also offer Virtual Visits when in-person appointments aren't possible.



You may benefit from a genetic evaluation if:

- You or your child **have a known genetic condition**
- You or your child are **suspected of having a genetic condition**
- **A physician recommends** seeing a geneticist
- There is **a family history** of a genetic condition
- You have had **genetic testing in the past** and have questions about the results

+ **How can I make an appointment?** Call us at 504-842-3900.

