Career journal #3

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Use the Internet to research a career in genetic counseling. In your career journal, write a one paragraph job description for a genetic counselor. Be sure to properly cite your sources.

Genetic counselors work in many different fields including commercial, research, pharmaceutical, and therapy. Their responsibilities include interpreting information, analyzing inheritance patterns and risks, and helping families understand and adapt to genetic disorders. Genetic counselors explain diagnostic procedures such as chorionic villus sampling (CVS), ultrasound, fetal blood sampling, and amniocentesis. They also help parents make education decisions for their children. They also determine or coordinate treatment plans by requesting laboratory services, reviewing genetics or counseling literature, and considering histories or diagnostic data.

Genetic Counseling. (2013). Retrieved from: http://explorehealthcareers.org/en/Career/53/Genetic\_Counselor