## 170300000X GENETIC COUNSELOR, MS Healthcare Provider Taxonomy Code Set

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## 170300000X Genetic Counselor (M.S.)

Taxonomy Code	170300000X
Status	Active
Level	Level II Classification
Short Name	Genetic Counselor, MS
Full Name	Genetic Counselor (M.S.)
Level I, Provider Grouping	Other Service Providers
Level II, Classification	Genetic Counselor, MS
Description	A masters trained health care provider who collects and interprets genetic family histories; assesses the risk of disease occurrence or recurrence; identifies interventions to manage or ameliorate disease risk; educates about inheritance, testing, management, prevention, ethical issues, resources, and research; and counsels to promote informed choices and adaptation. Certification was established in 1993 by the American Board of Genetic Counseling and prior to that by the American Board of Medical Genetics. Requirements for experience, licensure, and job responsibilities vary among the states.
Additional Information	Source: National Society of Genetic Counselors [7/1/2005: new]

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