Jennifer Posey Named CUIMC's First Chief Genomics Officer

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Jennifer Posey, an influential medical geneticist and physician-scientist, has been named chief of the Division of Clinical Genetics in the Department of Pediatrics and the inaugural chief genomics officer at Columbia University Irving Medical Center (CUIMC).

An expert in deciphering the genetic basis of complex human diseases, including rare pediatric conditions, Posey will expand the reach of CUIMC's pediatric clinical-genetics division by establishing new connections with the Department of Medicine.

She will also lead efforts to advance medical genetics and genomics at CUIMC, coordinating these efforts with Columbia's Precision Medicine Initiative and with the medical center's electronic health record system, clinical genomics laboratories, and genomic data infrastructure.

Posey joins Columbia from Baylor College of Medicine, where she was a faculty member and attending physician since 2014. The author of more than 250 scientific papers, she earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Texas at Austin and her MD and PhD from Baylor College of Medicine. She then completed her medical residency at Columbia before launching her career as a physician and researcher.



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