

## **Alison Elliott**

Alison M. Elliott is a PhD geneticist and board certified genetic counsellor and a leader in genetic and genomic counselling research. She has certification in Health Services Leadership and Management and Teaching. Her research program includes rare disease, genomics, genetic counselling and health implementation science. She is committed to "finding the answer" for families who have a child with a rare disease. She is a tenured Associate Professor in the Department of Medical Genetics at UBC and an Investigator at both BC Children's and Women's Hospital Research Institutes. She is the Associate Director, Research for the UBC MSc Genetic Counselling Program. She leads precision health initiatives in the pediatric and neonatal divisions at BC Children's and Women's Hospitals and is currently the Project Lead for the Genome Canada LSARP grant "GenCOUNSEL -Optimization of Genetic counselling with implementation of genome-wide sequencing" – the largest research genetic counselling grant ever funded. In 2018, Alison was awarded the Canadian Association of Genetic Counsellors Professional Practice, Innovation and Advocacy Leadership national award and she is the current Co-Chair for the CAGC Research Committee.