

## **PRESENTATION SUMMARY**

**TITLE:** Submitting Your Saliva: The Privacy Concerns of Autosomal DNA Testing

**LENGTH:** 60 minutes

**DESCRIPTION:** Direct-to-consumer autosomal DNA testing is a rapidly-growing market. Amidst a myriad of marketing campaigns toting glossy features and promising valuable information for family history research, should genealogy consumers be concerned about their genetic privacy?

**AUDIENCE LEVEL:** Beginner

**CONTENT:**

- PowerPoint presentation
- Audience handout, including resource list

**OUTLINE:**

Presentation will include:

- An overview of the science behind autosomal DNA testing, and why it's useful in combination with traditional genealogical research;
- What your DNA data can reveal about you;
- How the 5 major autosomal DNA databases use, disclose, and protect your DNA data;
- Current and pending Federal legislation with genetic privacy implications; and
- Recommendations for genealogists who are privacy-conscious, but want to take advantage of DNA testing.