It's time to stop obsessing about the dangers of genetic information

The question "How much information is *too much* information?" has been dominating commentaries about genetic testing in the medical literature.

But this is the wrong question, or at least one that's becoming increasingly irrelevant. The personal genomics horse has bolted, and yet many paternalistic members of the medical community are still trying to shut the barn door. In doing so, they're fostering a culture of DNA fear when what we really need is a realistic and nuanced genetics education.

Additional Resources:

- "Kids and DNA" Series, Time
- "Genetic pre-natal test opens window to improved diagnoses, stirs concerns," Genetic Literacy Project
- "The \$1,000 Genome Is Almost Here--Are We Ready?" Scientific American (blog)
- "Beyond the \$1,000 Genome," Forbes

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