

Thank you for considering our grant proposal. Hopefully, we can answer the questions that you have regarding our application.

- 1. You specifically mention physicians as being targeted by your project. Are other health professionals also being targeted? If so, please describe the other health professionals that would be included in your project.***

Our project is designed to begin with faculty members of the Mary Lanning School of Radiologic Technology and Creighton School of Nursing-Mary Lanning Campus. Once trained and competent with the equipment, we will have additional training sessions opened for Physicians, Nurses and other healthcare professionals.

- 2. Have you tested the pda usage survey to determine whether it actually provides you with the information you would need for a pre and post project? It would seem that the data needed before the project would be different than the data needed following the project.***

After considering your question number 2, we have revised our pre and post surveys. The initial survey is designed to understanding and usage levels of the participants. The post survey should demonstrate an increase in both the frequency and variety of applications in use. We have tested the pre-survey and found a range from no experience with a PDA to use daily for 1-3 years. Attached please find the revised pre and post surveys.

- 3. Please elaborate on how the expertise of the group who originally receives the PDAs will be funneled out to other health professionals. How will you use this group to encourage others to purchase and use PDAs?***

The use of PDAs in healthcare education and practice will be funneled first and foremost to future healthcare professionals in nursing and radiologic technology by faculty members trained and involved in this project.

Other methods of funneling information to other healthcare professionals are identified in 'library visibility'.

- 4. Please provide more information on how the use of this technology will increase the visibility of the library.***

MLMH library is striving to stay ahead of the technology curve and master new technologies. With the help of this grant, we can help teach and provide PDA-deliverable content for the user population.

- The library will serve as a center for training and four library committee members will actively participate in project, including teaching and promoting the use of PDA's in healthcare education and practice.
- The library will also add various resources on the usage of PDA's.
- Training sessions and the progress will be highlighted in MLMH biweekly newsletter, Department of Education monthly newsletter and interdepartmental electronic communication systems.
- PDAs have the potential to revolutionize not only the world of libraries, but also healthcare education and practice. This grant will allow the MLMH library take a leading role in rural Nebraska.

As a member of ICON group (the Nebraska consortium of Medical Libraries), we will be more than happy to share the techniques of our success of this project with other libraries, particularly the rural medical libraries

5. *Please determine a name for your project.*

PDA in Healthcare Education and Practice