

RML Quarterly Report

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Executive Summary

PERSONNEL

Jessi Van Der Volgen, NLM Associate Fellow, joined the library in September for her second year fellowship. She is involved in several RML projects. Ms. Van Der Volgen is our representative to the ClinicalTrials.gov Task Force, she is working with the Utah/Technology Coordinator to develop a plan to promote MedlinePlusConnect to HIT programs in community colleges, and she is one of the planners for the March e-science forum.

EDUCATION

Claire Hamasu, Associate Director, and Marty Magee, Nebraska/Education Coordinator, worked with Pat Wagner of Pattern Research to finalize the business classes that will be offered online to the region. One of the classes will be on print media the other will cover organizational politics. Each class will consist of two sessions—the first didactic. The second will review the assignments that participants submit incorporating what they learned.

Ms. Hamasu; Ruth Holst, Associate Director, NN/LM Greater Midwest Region; and Dan Wilson, NN/LM Emergency Planning Director; planned the Disaster Communications Summit which will take place in Chicago on March 7-8, 2013. The event will consist of presentations by first responders, an MLA accredited class, and the development of a pocket service continuity disaster plan.

LIBRARY ADVOCACY

Barb Jones, Missouri/Library Advocacy Coordinator, organized a discussion group around the book, “Winning the Story Wars” by Jonah Sachs. About 11 people regularly attended the sessions that included completing the exercises outlined in the book. The sessions are meant to assist members in marketing their libraries.

The NN/LM MidContinental and Greater Midwest Regions are co-sponsoring “Knowledge Management in Hospitals” in Chicago on February 7-8, 2013. Librarian and health professional teams from all around the country applied. Thirteen teams were accepted. In January, teams participated in two online sessions focusing on the goals and core concepts to be applied in the workshop.

HEALTH INFORMATION LITERACY

Dana Abbey, Colorado/Health Information Literacy Coordinator, has been monitoring three listservs of the Health Care Education Association (HCEA). As appropriate, she has provided responses to questions about health resources, highlighting NLM resources. As a result of her participation she was invited by the HCEA conference planners to speak on health literacy at their next meeting.

Cheryl Rowan, from the NN/LM South Central Region, resigned as a contributor to the BHIC Blog, due to a change in her position. Monica Rogers, Health Information Literacy Coordinator, tried to recruit a replacement but was not successful. There are now six coordinators from four regions who contribute to the daily blog.

Ms. Magee and Ms. Rogers helped organize the Health Literacy Nebraska Summit on January 30, 2013. John Parmer, Associate Director of Communication at the CDC, was the keynote speaker. Ten health literacy projects were highlighted during a morning presentation, including the MCR's Health Literacy Advisor project. Attendance was lower than expected due to a snowstorm; 56 of the 126 registrants were able to attend.

On December 3, 2012, Ms. Magee and Ms. Rogers visited tribal libraries at Little Priest Tribal College and at the Nebraska Indian Community Colleges in Macy and Santee. They promoted NLM resources. To follow up on the invitation extended by Dr. Lindberg, the two Nebraska Indian Community College libraries were encouraged to become members, and they did.

Community College Task Force

Ms. Hamasu co-chairs the Community College Task Force with Ruth Holst, Associate Director of the Greater Midwest Region. During this quarter task force members defined what a community college is and interviewed two community college librarians in their region. Cindy Olney, OERC, described and analyzed the

data in a report. Based on this information the task force developed goals and outcomes, they identified strategies to address the outcomes and the data that needed to be gathered. Ms. Olney then created a logic model. One of the baseline numbers needed is the current count of community college Network members. Susan Barnes, OERC, will provide that number, working with the RML representatives on the task force.

MEMBER SERVICES

New or Renewing Affiliate Members:

- Douglas County High School (CO)
- Otho E. Stuart Middle School (CO)
- Red Hawk Elementary School (CO)
- Weld County Department of Public Health and Environment (CO)
- Woodland Park High School (CO)
- Health Center Association of Nebraska (NE)
- Kilgore Public Library (NE)
- Nebraska Indian Community College, Macy (NE)
- Nebraska Indian Community College, Santee (NE)
- Syracuse Public Library (NE)

Full to Affiliate Member:

- VA Medical Center, Cheyenne (WY)

Full Members Closed:

- Banner Health, Greeley (CO)
- CHEX Knowledge Exchange (KS)

During the quarter Ms. Abbey put out calls on the Colorado Library listserv encouraging K-12 interest in NN/LM membership. As a result four school libraries have joined the Network.

Resource Library Directors Meeting

At the December directors meeting, Ms. Hamasu provided information on the Option Year 2 budget. She explained that fte would stay the same. The directors shared new uses of their library space usually by an outside program. They also shared whether or not their institution subsidized author fees and if so, how it was allocated.

TECHNOLOGY

Ms. Hamasu and Sharon Dennis, Assistant Director, National Library of Medicine Training Center, met with Angela Ruffin, Head of the National Network Office, to discuss the use of technology to facilitate the mid-contract site visits.

Network Infrastructure

Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) activities

No Activity

Evidence Based Health:

Planning continued for the e-science forum. The name of the event is "The Research Lifecycle: Partnering for Success." The following objectives were established:

- Participants will gain increased awareness of the potential and challenges for computationally intensive science in health sciences research.
- Participants will gain increased awareness of innovative tools and technologies for collaboration, discovery, data sharing, and data management.
- Participants will identify how librarians, data specialists, and researchers can use these concepts and resources to provide added value to their research community.

The keynote speaker, Victoria Stodden of Columbia University, and panelists have been confirmed. The panel is made up of developers from REDCap, VIVO, eagle-i, and DMPTool. The web site is now public (<http://nnlm.gov/2013escience/>) and registration is being accepted.

Assessment and evaluation activities/data:

Betsy Kelly, Assessment and Evaluation Coordinator, worked on updating the Network Member Questionnaire with input from staff. The questionnaire collects baseline data on status, services, and resources of Network members in the region and is distributed once a contract. The revised questionnaire was sent out to OERC and MCR staff for review and was further edited. An umbrella IRB was obtained for this and all future assessments to be done in the region. This should facilitate the process of obtaining an exemption.

Outreach

Table 1: All newly funded awards and projects

No New Awards

Update of ongoing major projects (funded at > \$15,000):

No Awards

Table 2: Presentations and training provided by RML Staff

Data to be added at a future date

Information Technology and Transfer:

No Activity

Other Staff Activities

Table 3: Classes, publications and resources developed by RML staff

| Title | Medium | Submitted to MLA Educational Clearinghouse |
|--|--------|--|
| Spotlight! on NLM Resources: Men's Health | Course | Yes |
| Spotlight! on NLM Resources: Obesity/Wellness | Course | Yes |
| Spotlight! on NLM Resources: PubMed Update | Course | Yes |
| Spotlight! on NLM Resources: Genetic Resources | Course | Yes |
| Spotlight! on NLM Resources: LiverTox | Course | Yes |

Other Notable Staff Activities:

November 2, 2012 – Ms. Hamasu, Ms. Kelly, Ms. Jones, Ms. Abbey, Jim Honour, Wyoming/Member Services Coordinator, and John Bramble, Utah/Technology Coordinator, attended “Foundations in Bioinformatics and Searching” a class taught by Diane Reins.

November 5, 2012 – Ms. Vukas attended the Dykes Library Emergency Preparedness meeting and presented information about the NN/LM Emergency Preparedness & Response toolkit.

November 6, 2012 – Ms. Magee and Ms. Rogers participated in the chapter education committee meeting reviewing an education needs assessment.

November 8, 2012 – Mr. Bramble attended a webinar on developing services and resources called “Focusing on UX (User Experience)” sponsored by Springshare.

November 9, 2012 – Ms. Abbey exhibited at the Colorado Association of School Nurses conference, where she interacted with 120 of the 182 attendees.

November 9, 2012 – Ms. Rogers exhibited at “Neurology of Today” sponsored by Creighton University. Close to 200 clinicians and community members attended and 81 of them visited the NLM booth.

November 9, 2012 – Ms. Jones consulted with a hospital librarian about measurements that show support of programs, units, and mission of the hospital.

November 10, 2012 – Ms. Vukas attended a webinar on using Google Plus and Google Hangouts, presented by the Texas State Library, to determine if this technology could benefit our members.

November 13, 2012 – Ms. Abbey and Ms. Rogers submitted an updated PowerPoint, long and short versions, of the Health Information Literacy Curriculum to MLA.

November 13, 2012 – Ms. Vukas attended a session, “Communicating Through InfoGraphics,” presented by InfoPeople, and shared the resource list with the MCR coordinators.

November 14, 2012 – Ms. Rogers attended the Health Literacy Nebraska meeting to continue planning their summit and develop their strategic plan.

November 17, 2012 – Mr. Bramble distributed a survey to all RML staff to indicate the disposition of web pages that are out of compliance with Section 508. All but two of the staff have completed the survey.

November 18, 2012 – Ms. Kelly consulted with a hospital librarian on collecting data to show impact.

November 19, 2012 – Ms. Kelly responded to an email from a hospital librarian offering advice on showing impact on her users and the extent of her expertise.

November 19, 2012 – Ms. Hamasu attended the TC4C meeting where members shared activities affecting tribal communities. She reported that NLM had invited tribal colleges to become Network members and asked the RMLs to follow up with colleges in each region.

November 20, 2012 – Acting on a request from NLM, Ms. Hamasu gathered suggestions from the region of candidates for the Literature Selection Technical Review Committee and sent them to Sheldon Kotzin, chair of the committee.

November 26, 2012 – Ms. Magee attended the webinar “Don’t Know What I Don’t Know,” which focused on low cost technology tools such as Dropbox and Google Drive.

November 26, 2012 – Ms. Hamasu participated in the RML mid-year directors meeting. She led the discussion on whether action should be taken on a motion presented at the MCMLA meeting asking that health sciences librarians’ organizations do more to advocate and support their members.

November 27, 2012 – Ms. Magee participated in the NN/LM Education Task Force meeting on creating a repository for presentations, materials, and recordings.

November 27, 2012 – Ms. Vukas represented the MCR at the MedlinePlus Connect Task Force meeting and presented the results of her interviews with health IT workforce staff.

November 29, 2012-January 2013 – Ms. Hamasu partnered with two hospital librarians to develop six motions identifying actions for the chapter and MLA to be proactive in support of hospital librarians. When the motions were presented to the MCMLA Executive Committee, the three were appointed as an ad hoc committee to bring the motions to the membership for a vote. The motions were distributed; members participated in an online discussion and voted on the motions at the end of January.

December 3-4, 2012 – Ms. Vukas attended the New Staff Orientation meeting at the NLM in Bethesda, MD.

December 5, 2012 – Mr. Honour, Ms. Rogers, and Ms. Magee participated in the MCMLA Education Committee meeting deciding on the CE to be offered at the annual chapter meeting.

December 7, 2012 – Ms. Rogers exhibited at the Cardiovascular Symposium sponsored by Creighton University. Approximately 200 clinicians attended the meeting and 68 visited the booth. One physician signed up for InfoRx.

December 7, 2013 – Mr. Bramble represented the MCR at the Community College Task Force meeting.

December 14, 2012 – Ms. Hamasu participated in the Outreach Connections Steering Committee where Laura Bartlett from NLM informed the group that revision of the American Indian portal had stalled.

December 21, 2013 – Ms. Magee met with the Nebraska Library Commission and Central Community College administration to describe our online educational opportunities including training and electronic resources.

December 21, 2012 – Ms. Magee visited the library at Nebraska Wesleyan University to meet the new librarian and encourage her to become a member.

December 27, 2012 – Ms. Vukas met with new Dykes Library staff to inform them about the NN/LM program and services.

December 29, 2013 – Ms. Hamasu and Ms. Jones met with Alan Carr from the NN/LM Pacific Southwest Region to discuss the outline of a patient safety symposium that the two regions will co-sponsor in 2014.

January 8, 2013 – Ms. Vukas attended a webinar on Creating Engaging E-Learning with PowerPoint, presented by InSync Training.

January 10, 2013 – Ms. Abbey updated the links for the NN/LM Many Languages Resources page.

January 11, 2013 – Ms. Rogers met with the Adult Programs and Lifelong Learning Manager at the Omaha Public Library about offering classes in conjunction with AARP.

January 14, 2013 – Mr. Bramble created a combined listserv for the Health Care Education Association made up of subscribers from all three of their listservs.

January 15, 2013 – Ms. Rogers met with the Creighton University Office of Interprofessional Scholarship, Service, and Education to help plan a health campaign. Ms. Rogers will provide prescription pads and other resources on MedlinePlus and InfoRx.

January 17, 2013 – Ms. Abbey exhibited at the College of Nursing new student orientation at the University of Colorado, Denver. She met with 35 students at the booth.

January 21, 2013 – Ms. Magee visited a new affiliate member, the Health Center Association of Nebraska. This is the member organization for Nebraska's community health centers.

January 21, 2013 – Ms. Magee visited Nebraska Christian College and met with the library manager, who is new to the position.

January 22, 2013 – Mr. Bramble met with Comunidades Unidas/Communities United to plan a class on HIV/AIDS resources. Comunidades Unidas is a recipient of NLM HIV/AIDS funding.

January 22, 2013 – Ms. Vukas attended a webinar about improving online education techniques, "Rockin' the Virtual Classroom," presented by InSync Training.

January 23, 2013 – Ms. Rogers attended the South Omaha Community Care Counsel Health Committee meeting to help plan community events.

January 30, 2013 – Ms. Vukas created a new page for the MCR web site on the Electronic Health Record.

Attachments

Attachment 1 – Promotional Materials Provided

| Date | Who | Items Provided | Purpose |
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| 11/14/2012 | Utah Valley Regional Medical Center Library <i>Utah</i> | – 200 - MedlinePlus Bookmark – 200 - PubMed Card | Marketing the library |
| 1/24/2013 | Irwin Army Community Hospital Library <i>Kansas</i> | – 150 - MedlinePlus Bookmark | To give to health care providers and patients |