

List of Activities by Project

Project:	Technology
RML Goal: Develop collaborations among Network members and other organizations to improve access to and sharing of biomedical information resources throughout the nation	
Goal: Establish and maintain channels for effective communication with current and potential NN/LM participants, other RMLs, NLM, and other state and multi-type library networks within the region	
Outcome: Increased collaborations and access to biomedical information via effective communication mechanisms	
LM_Activity: Develop and maintain a regional Web site	
Background: This addresses back-end systems, not content. Query from MCMLA listserv. Questionnaire 4th quarter.	
Indicator: 40 of at least 75 respondents from the MCMLA listserv membership report that the MCR website is usable and easy to navigate	
LM_Activity: Establish and maintain a regional LISTSERV for sharing information with Network members, other partner organizations, and health professionals	
Background: Maintain MCMLA listserv	
Indicator: MCMLA listserv is never down longer than one business day	
LM_Activity: Participate in testing or re-testing methods for communication and collaboration	
Background: This could be videoconferencing, social networking, IM, VoIP, blogs, wikis, other new Web communication methods not invented yet. The Access Grid /PIG project has been moved to this activity. We will continue to test and also research possible alternatives to the Access Grid for small group training. Problems continue with use of technology; as we test, survey liaisons/attendees after each call. Write report when it is done.	
Indicator: 6 online communication and collaboration tools are tested or re-tested	
Outcome: Network members are aware of health information resources	
LM_Activity: Maintain web pages for special projects and states	
Background: Maintain state pages for consumer, community, and public health resources for Network members doing outreach. Review and update twice a year. Update August and February. Query members from the listserv; questionnaire in 4th quarter.	
Indicator: 40 of at least 75 respondents from the MCMLA listserv members report that the MCR website increases their awareness of health information resources	
RML Goal: Develop tools and conduct evaluation activities to understand how the products and services of the NN/LM and NLM contribute to improved access to health information by health professionals, community organizations, network members and the public	

RML Goal: Develop, promote, and improve electronic access to health information by Network members, health professionals, and organizations providing health information to the public

Goal: Develop an information technology and policy program to improve access to biomedical information

Outcome: In conjunction with other RMLs, Network members, health professionals, and organizations providing health information to the public are able to learn about new technology developments that will help them to increase access to biomedical information

LM_Activity: Educate ourselves and disseminate information to the members about informatics (e.g. electronic health record) as it relates to the role of the hospital librarian participating in clinical information systems

Background: Yr 5: Continue to work with Woods Hole Alumni Group to identify and provide members training and information needs related to informatics. Continue to publish RML news postings. 10 postings containing information related to hospital informatics will appear in the RML news. Rebecca will apply to attend Woods Hole. Query members from listserv. Questionnaire in 4th quarter.

Indicator: 15 librarians from the MCMLA listserv indicate that the medical informatics information provided by MCR has been helpful to them

Outcome: Members adopt new technologies to increase access to biomedical information

LM_Activity: Continue to build the MCR social bookmarking project to serve as a resource for the region with the help of member volunteers

Background: Expand the number of volunteers contributing to the resource. Promote early and often. Link from other social tools like Twitter. We will create a separate web page for this project. Liaisons who create Delicious "bundles" for their classes will link to the bundles from this page. This will also help promote the project. Query from MCMLA listserv. Questionnaire in 4th quarter.

Indicator: 40 of at least 75 respondents from the MCMLA listserv indicate the social bookmarking resource is useful to them in their work

LM_Activity: Disseminate and present new information about using technology.

Background: Identify, evaluate and monitor the best authoritative sources for new technology information. Indicator includes 13 Things evaluation responses and separate questionnaire. Query from MCMLA listserv. Questionnaire in 4th quarter.

Indicator: 20 Network members report that they have adopted at least one new showcased technology per year

LM_Activity: Research and disseminate information related to accessing resources and services using mobile smart phone platforms

Background: Look at iPhone/iTouch and Android applications (Susan = iPhone; Rebecca and Sharon = iTouch; Sharon = Android, hopefully). Breezing session; Survey members on their use of smart phones?

Indicator: 75% of participants in a Breezing session about mobile resources say the session increased their awareness of health sciences mobile resources

Outcome: Under-connected Network members have increased access to biomedical information and to communication tools

LM_Activity: Continue to monitor and get feedback from members regarding connectivity difficulties (firewalls and filters)

Background: Under-connect is defined as not being able to access needed resources or communication methods due to firewalls and filters in place by IT departments. Idea to offer funds towards broadband modem through cell phone service was not successful in Year 4. In Year 5 we will continue to gather information about the problems members have with accessing resources with the intent of providing solutions in the future. The number 20 came from the NDI results.

Indicator: Feedback via individual interviews from at least 20 members results in understanding the individual barriers to improved access

RML Goal: Promote awareness of, access to, and use of biomedical information resources for health professionals and the public, with a particular emphasis on contributing to the Healthy People 2010 goal of eliminating health disparities