NATIONAL NETWORK OF LIBRARIES OF MEDICINE MIDCONTINENTAL REGION OPTION YEAR 3 (2014-2015) OBJECTIVES

Assessment and Evaluation

1. Respond to NLM questions and share ideas and information from the Region.
2. Work with Resource Libraries to carry out RML programs, including signing and monitoring implementation of subcontracts for basic services, and assess Resource Library and coordinator experiences.
3. Reconstitute Regional Advisory Board and assess the impact of the Board on RML programming and the experience of Board members.
4. Gather and assess needs of health sciences librarians and other organizations in the Region to ensure access to health information.
5. Increase the capacity of Network members to do assessment.
6. Monitor and evaluate NN/LM MCR programs to assess their effectiveness in improving access to health information.

Education

1. Identify and promote history of medicine collections in the MCR.
2. Develop, promote, and provide training on resources and tools, especially from NLM and NN/LM, which increase Network member skills to develop projects and programs (includes ClinicalTrials.gov Results and MedlinePlus Connect).
3. Submit program proposals at local, regional, state, or national events.
4. Write and distribute articles about health information resources.

Health Information Literacy

1. Exhibit at local, regional, state, or national events (including conferences where the target audience is affiliated with national initiatives).
2. Manage and contribute to Bringing Health Information to the Community blog.
3. Inform those who work with limited English proficiency (LEP) populations about multiple language resources.
4. Encourage and/or support health information literacy collaborations that reach other networks and relevant organizations.
5. Maintain State Library collaborations (includes Affordable Care Act (ACA) outreach).
6. Become further involved in the Health Care Education Association.

Library Advocacy
1. Investigate the value of librarian services in the cost of patient care.
2. Support member librarians and access to health information during and after organizational restructuring.
3. Support librarians to become involved in patient safety activities in their institutions.
4. Support inclusion of librarians in team practice by highlighting their contributions to achieving value driven outcomes.

Member Services

1. Conduct drills or exercises to test the continuity of service plans on a regular basis.
2. Involve Network members in RML infrastructure and outreach.
3. Manage portions of the NN/LM Resource Sharing Plan (includes membership recruitment among K-12 and community college libraries).

Technology
1. Develop/enhance and maintain MCR communication methods for accessing MCR program offerings.
2. Research Lifecycle Class Members, and any other Network members interested in e-science, learn and share current e-science practices for librarians.
3. Regularly monitor and disseminate technology developments.
4. Lead four sandbox sessions per year.
5. Create at least one Just Enough Learning vignette per project area.
6. Provide consultations and assist Network members who cannot access NLM and NN/LM resources and services.
7. Develop, enhance, and maintain the MCR game.
8. Share effective practices from Network members via videos.
9. Encourage Network members and community based organizations to explore the use of tablet apps.