National Network of Libraries of Medicine **Greater Midwest Region** 



Regional Advisory Council September 10, 2007





#### Administrative staff

- Carol Scherrer, Acting Director
  - Until November 1
- Kate Carpenter, RLM Director
  - After November 1
- Ruth Holst, Associate Director



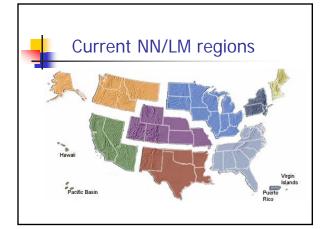
#### Program coordinators

- Holly Ann Burt, Outreach & Exhibits
- Jacqueline Leskovec, Outreach & Evaluation
- Charniel McDaniels, Network Services
- [Technology vacant]
- [Consumer Health vacant]



### Business & support staff

- Rosalva Diaz, Business Services
   Manager
- Nelly Cruz, Information Services Supervisor
- Ayman Hussein, Technology student
- Elaine Hicks, Extra Help

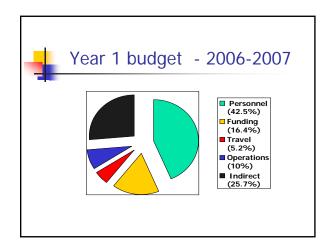


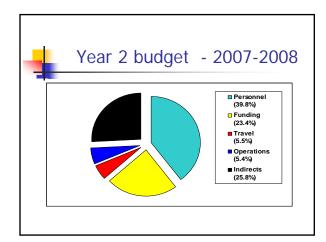


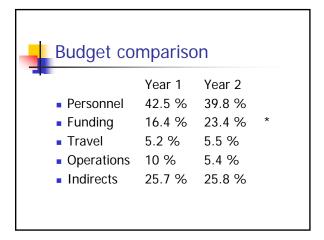
#### NN/LM mission

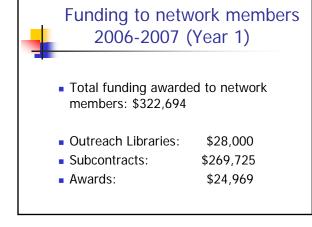
- To advance the progress of medicine and improve the public health by:
  - providing all U.S. health professionals equal access to biomedical information and
  - by improving the public's access to information to enable them to make informed decisions about their health.

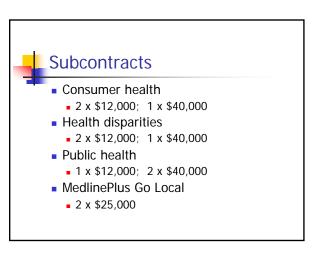














#### **Awards**

Exhibit - 7 awards: \$480 - 1,500Outreach Express: 2 x \$4,900

Professional Development: 2 x \$1,000Professional Instruction: 1 x \$1,000

Technology Improvement: 1 x \$4,900



Sample projects for Year 1



## "Providing consumer health outreach to virtual world residents"

- Alliance Library System IL
- Provided training programs, consumer health resources, and outreach to medical consumers in Second Life, a three-dimensional virtual reality world with 9 million residents



## "Multilingual health information access for immigrants and refugees"

- Heartland Health Outreach IL
- Provided equipment, technical support, and training for health promoters in eight immigrant communities
- Focused on culturally and linguistically appropriate health information in audio, print, and multi-media formats



## "Making connections: Partnering with parish nurses to improve access"

- Medical College of Wisconsin WI
- Provided equipment and training in PubMed and MedlinePlus for parish nurses in eight of the needlest parishes in Milwaukee's central city
- Free document delivery from MCW Libraries



# Outreach activities 2006-2007

GMR staff activities
Total participants
> 50% minorities
6 of 82

Subcontractor activities 39
Total participants 442
> 50% minorities 14 of 39



### Exhibiting 2006-2007

National: 6
State and regional: 17
Exhibit awards: 7
Subcontractor exhibits: 50

Supported exhibits: 4

Total exhibits: 84



#### **Outreach libraries**

- 16 of 32 Resource Libraries
- First year for funding: \$2,000
- 50 exhibits and numerous other outreach activities



#### MedlinePlus Go Local

- Current projects:
  - Indiana
  - Southeast Ohio
  - Michigan
  - Minnesota (Launched July 31st)
  - Illinois (Launched September 7th)
- In development:
  - Iowa
  - North Dakota













### Outreach to communitybased organizations

- Conducted focus group interviews in May
- 26 participants from 22 organizations
- Results and recommendations will be presented later today



#### Communication tools

- Web site
- Calendar
- GMRLIST
- *The Cornflower* GMR blog
  - http://nnlm.gov/gmr/blog/





## Web site changes

- Reorganized member services pages
- Added "technology awareness" page
- Added resource page for Outreach Libraries





## Lending library software

- OPAC software from EOS
- Records have been loaded
- Completing the back end functions
- Launch by year end









## Resource sharing - EFTS

- Continue to recruit network members
- Plans underway to make EFTS more self-sufficient



## Training by GMR staff

- PubMed
- Consumer Health
- TOXNET
- Patient Safety
- DOCLINELinkOut
- Measuring Your Impact
- Grant Writing



## **Emergency preparedness**

- Major initiative of current contract
- Cross-regional planning in process
- Opportunities for network member involvement



## RAC working groups

- Communications
- Consumer health
- E-licensing
- Library advocacy
- Public health



## Future working groups

- Emergency preparedness
- Unique and historical collections