

# National Network of Libraries of Medicine South Central Region

## Region 05

### Quarterly Report

Period covered: May – July, 2007

#### Executive summary:

The NN/LM SCR officially implemented the State Liaison model on May 1. Karen Bülow is the State Liaison for AR and NM, and serves as interim State Liaison for LA until the Technology Coordinator position is filled. Karen Vargas is the State Liaison for Oklahoma, and Michelle Malizia is the State Liaison for TX. An informational piece describing the State Liaison model was made available to Network members on the NNLMSCR-L and *Blogadillo*, the NN/LM SCR blog.

Elizabeth Eaton began working with the Resource Library (RL) Directors, soliciting nominations for members to develop the state based Regional Advisory Committees for 2007-2009.

Thirteen of the 15 RLs signed outreach subcontracts which began on May 1, 2007 for Year 02. The Outreach Contacts from the RLs met in Houston on June 28, 2007 for the semi-annual Outreach Contacts meeting. NN/LM SCR staff apprised the Outreach Contacts on Year 02 NN/LM SCR Goals and Objectives related to outreach, changes to NLM products and services, and feedback was solicited from the Outreach Contacts on NLM and NN/LM SCR programs and services. Cindy Olney, NN/LM Outreach and Evaluation Resource Center (OERC), provided the Outreach Contacts with an evaluation session via teleconference and Adobe Connect during the meeting, in the absence of an NN/LM SCR Assessment and Programs Coordinator.

Interviews will be held in the next quarter for the NN/LM SCR Technology Coordinator position.

#### Network infrastructure:

TABLE 1. Quarterly infrastructure data.

	<b>Current quarter</b> (May- July, 2007)	<b>Previous quarter</b> (Feb-April, 2007)
Network members – full	165	163
Network members – affiliate	711	703

Libraries providing services to unaffiliated health professionals	93 (56%)	94 (58%)
Libraries providing services to public users	83 (50%)	93 (52%)
Average fill rate for resource libraries	82%	84%

Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) activities: Elizabeth Eaton began working with the Resource Library (RL) Directors in each of the five states to develop the five state-based RACs. Elizabeth contacted each of the RL Directors to provide names of individuals from each state to the NN/LM SCR for consideration. The appointments should be completed in the next quarter.

Needs assessment and evaluation activities/data: Cindy Olney, of the Outreach Evaluation Resource Center, taught a one-hour class on *Clever Evaluation* to the Resource Library Outreach Contacts at their annual meeting at HAM-TMC Library, Houston, TX, on June 28, 2007. The class was taught online using Adobe Connect and via teleconference.

**Outreach:**

TABLE 2. All newly funded awards and projects.

Start/end dates	Title of award/project	PI institution	PI last name	Funding amount	Project type*
5.1.07 - 4.30.08	<i>Providing Health Information Resources to Seniors and Health Professionals</i>	Houston Academy of Medicine-Texas Medical Center Library, Houston, TX	Eaton	\$12,000	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcontract
5.1.07 – 4.30.08	<i>NLM Outreach Post-Katrina: Targeting Diverse Groups</i>	Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center Library, New Orleans, LA	Swearingen	\$12,000	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcontract
5.1.07 – 4.30.08	<i>Making the Consumer Health Connection in Northwest Louisiana, 2007-2008</i>	Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center Library, Shreveport, LA	Comegys	\$12,000	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcontract

5.1.07-4.30.08	<i>OSU Medical Library Health Information Access Outreach Program for Various Underserved Target Groups in Oklahoma</i>	Oklahoma State University Medical Library, Tulsa, OK	Freeman	\$12,000	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcontract
5.1.07 - 4.30.08	<i>RL Outreach: Texas A and M University 2007-2008</i>	Texas A&M University Medical Sciences Library, College Station, TX	Carrigan	\$11,840	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcontract
5.1.07 - 4.30.08	<i>Health Matters 1 May 2007 - 30 April 2008</i>	Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Libraries of the Health Sciences, Lubbock, TX	Wood	\$11,400	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcontract
5.1.07 - 4.30.08	<i>Linking Arkansans to Quality Health Information</i>	University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Library, Little Rock, AR	Gyore	\$12,000	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcontract
5.1.07 - 4.30.08	<i>Bridges for Health Information</i>	University of New Mexico Health Sciences Library and Informatics Center, Albuquerque, NM	Teal	\$12,000	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcontract
5.1.07 - 4.30.08	<i>RL Outreach: UNT Fort Worth 2007 - 2008</i>	University of North Texas Health Science Center Library, Fort Worth, TX	Smith	\$11,989	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcontract
5.1.07-4.30.08	<i>Continuing the Connection: Bringing Health Information to Oklahomans</i>	University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Robert M. Bird Health Sciences Library, Oklahoma City, OK	M. Thompson	\$12,000	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcontract
5.1.07 - 4.30.08	<i>Reaching Out to South Texas</i>	University of Texas Health Science Center Library, San Antonio, TX	Moore	\$12,000	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcontract

5.1.07 - 4.30.08	<i>RL Outreach: UT Southwestern Library 2007 - 2008</i>	University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center Library, Dallas, TX	L. Thompson	\$12,000	Yr 02 RL Outreach Subcon- tract
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Update of ongoing major projects (funded at  $\geq$  \$15,000): The project investigators, for the *Access to Electronic Consumer Health Information Award*, Santa Fe Indian Hospital, Santa Fe, NM, awarded on April 1, 2007, have performed awareness presentations for the project and it is available to all paraprofessionals in the Santa Fe Indian Hospital service area. The result of this effort has been the inclusion of oral health paraprofessionals and vision care professionals in the training sessions. Oral health care and vision care have been impacted by tighter federal budgets. Due to a reduction in staff, limited appointments are available and this has caused clinic clients to stop making appointments; thus their oral and vision care have lapsed. This is a significant health risk for many people in the service area. Diabetes, obesity and cardiovascular disease directly affect vision and oral health. The investigators have consulted with the clinical leaders of both disciplines and will begin providing *eHealth* training. The director of Optometry for the Albuquerque Area (all nine service units) has agreed to participate in this project. MedlinePlus.gov, PubMed.gov and other NN/LM products will be presented.

The *Access to Electronic Consumer Health Information Award*, *Cherokee Health Information Network for Clinics (C.H.I.N.-II)*, Cherokee Nation, Tahlequah, OK is making progress. The Cherokee Nation has completed the order of 15 computers from Gateway Corporation. Delivery of these computers is expected by the end of September. The P.I. met with the Cherokee Nation IT support manager to develop a work plan and to schedule the installment of software and hardware at the designated clinic sites. The IT department assigned a hardware technician to this project and he will be responsible for the initial installation and technical support. As part of the plan to introduce and promote this project, the P.I. has done presentations to the Cherokee Nation Health Services Quality Council (health advisory board), and to the tribal executive leadership committee. In addition similar presentations are planned for the medical and nursing staff and for the clinic administrators. The tribal newspaper, *Cherokee Phoenix* has interviewed the P.I. for a story in an upcoming issue. A series of on-site training sessions for the medical, nursing and health administration staff are planned with University of Oklahoma College of Medicine – Tulsa Library, Tulsa, OK. The P.I. communicated with the clinics’ staff to identify the best locations for computer placement, so the computers are in a prominent site and easily accessible to patients.

As part of the New Mexico *Partners in Public Health Information Outreach* award, the project staff has conducted a site visit with representatives from the Sandoval County Public Health Department to discuss the project and review the objectives. In addition, a design site assessment questionnaire form has been developed to ensure effective

facilitation and delivery of training for each site. Project training will begin in August, 2007.

The Department of Veterans Affairs, Alexandria, LA, *Technology Improvement Project*, was awarded in Year 01 and has just completed the second quarter of the project. The computer equipment and Ariel software has been ordered and is in the process of being installed in the various VA project sites in AR, LA, and TX.

TABLE 3. Exhibits.

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Organization name</b>	<b>Meeting name</b>	<b>Location (city, state)</b>
<b>RML NATIONAL EXHIBITS</b>			
5.23-25.07	Society of Hospital Medicine	<i>Annual Meeting</i>	Grapevine, TX
5.24-27.07	American College of Sports Medicine	<i>Annual Meeting</i>	New Orleans, LA
<b>RML REGIONAL/STATE/LOCAL EXHIBITS</b>			
None			
<b>SUBCONTRACTED NATIONAL EXHIBITS</b>			
None			
<b>SUBCONTRACTED REGIONAL/STATE/LOCAL EXHIBITS</b>			
5.1-2.07	University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center School of Medicine	<i>2007 Advances in Indian Health</i>	Bernalillo County, NM
5.3-4.07	Partners for Inclusive Communities	<i>Welcome the Children – Celebrating Cultural Harmony</i>	North Little Rock, AR
5.4.07	Lasara Independent School District	<i>4<sup>th</sup> Annual School Health Annual Conference Health Fair</i>	Lasara, TX
5.12.07	Cedar Creek Lake Public Library	<i>Annual Health Fair</i>	Seven Points, TX
5.18-19.07	Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences	<i>21st Tulsa Spring CME Fling</i>	Tulsa, OK
5.20-22.07	US – Mexico Border Health Association	<i>65<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting</i>	South Padre Island, TX
5.24.07	Louisiana State University Health Science Center – Shreveport	<i>Psychiatric Potpourri</i>	Shreveport, LA

5.31.-6.1.07	National Indian Health Board and Indian Health Service	<i>Owning Your Future: Tribal Summit for Young American Indian and Alaskan Native Adults with Disabilities</i>	Bernalillo County, NM
6.5-6.07	Coalition of Health Services	<i>HealthLink/Coalition of Health Services</i>	Amarillo, TX
6.7.07	Neighborhood Centers	<i>Culture Fest/Festival Cultural</i>	Houston, TX
6.7-9.07	Louisiana Speech Language and Hearing Association	<i>Building the Future and Making the Connection</i>	Lafayette, LA
6.8.07	Center for AIDS Information and Advocacy	<i>Positive Empowerment Summit: Women</i>	Houston, TX
6.9.07	Gambit Weekly	<i>Gambit Weekly Wellness Expo</i>	New Orleans, LA
6.8-9.07	Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences	<i>10<sup>th</sup> Annual Emergency Medicine Review in the Rural and Suburban Setting</i>	Tulsa, OK
7.12-13.07	UT Health Science Center at San Antonio, Academic Center for Evidence Based Practice	<i>Summer Institute on Evidence-Based Practice</i>	San Antonio, TX
7.19-20.07	Southwest Athletic Trainers Association	<i>53rd Annual Meeting and Symposium</i>	Arlington, TX
7.19-21.07	Texas Chiropractic College	<i>Homecoming Convention and License Renewal 2007</i>	Galveston, TX
7.20.07	University of Arkansas Medical Sciences	<i>Teaching with Technology Symposium</i>	Little Rock, AR
7.23.07	Speaking of Women's Health	<i>Community Event</i>	Amarillo, TX
7.23.07	Speaking of Women's Health	<i>Community Event</i>	Odessa, TX
7.25.07	Schools for Healthy Lifestyles Summer Health Institute	<i>Health Resource Fair</i>	Oklahoma City, OK
7.30.07	City of Andrews Chamber of Commerce	<i>Andrews Health Fair</i>	Andrews, TX

Actionable feedback received from exhibit visitors: No activity to report for this quarter.

MedlinePlus Go Local: No activity to report for this quarter.

TABLE 4. Presentations and training provided by RML staff.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Last name of staff responsible</b>	<b>Title of presentation/training</b>	<b>Location (city, state)</b>	<b>Number of participants</b>	<b>In-person or distance education</b>
5.2.07	Vargas	<i>Super Searcher</i>	Tulsa, OK	23	In-person
5.3.07	Vargas	<i>Super Searcher</i>	Oklahoma City, OK	8	In-person
5.4.07	Bülow	<i>MedlinePlus for Public Librarians</i>	Lake Jackson, LA	30	In-person
5.4.07	Bülow	<i>MedlinePlus for Public Librarians</i>	Lake Jackson, LA	80	In-person
5.4.07	Malizia	<i>Geeks Bearing Gifts: Unwrapping New Technology Trends</i>	McKinney, TX	23	In-person
5.4.07	Vargas	<i>Super Searcher</i>	Oklahoma City, OK	10	In-person
5.8.07	Vargas	<i>Super Searcher</i>	Pasadena, TX	7	In-person
5.9.07	Vargas	<i>Super Searcher</i>	Garland, TX	11	In-person
5.9.07	Vargas	<i>Super Searcher</i>	Garland, TX	14	In-person
5.10.07	Vargas	<i>¿No Comprendo? Spanish Health Information Resources for English Speaking Librarians</i>	Garland, TX	11	In-person
5.10.07	Vargas	<i>¿No Comprendo? Spanish Health Information Resources for English Speaking Librarians</i>	Garland, TX	14	In-person
5.23.07	Vargas	<i>Will Duct Tape Cure My Warts? Examining Complementary and Alternative Medicine</i>	Washington, DC	14	In-person
6.5.07	Malizia	<i>Grants and Proposal Writing</i>	Oklahoma City, OK	14	In-person
6.6.07	Malizia	<i>Grants and Proposal Writing</i>	Ada, OK	9	In-person

6.7.07	Malizia	<i>Grants and Proposal Writing</i>	Tulsa, OK	8	In-person
6.18.07	Vargas	<i>Beyond an Apple A Day: Providing Consumer Health Information in a Public Library</i>	Houston, TX	15	In-person
6.18.07	Vargas	<i>Will Duct Tape Cure My Warts? Examining Complementary and Alternative Medicine</i>	Houston, TX	5	In-person
7.3.07	Malizia	<i>Easy-to-Read Health and Wellness Information for Consumers: Recognizing It, Writing It and Rewriting It</i>	Austin, TX	10	In-person
7.11.07	Malizia	<i>Easy-to-Read Health and Wellness Information for Consumers: Recognizing It, Writing It and Rewriting It</i>	Norman, OK	14	In-person
7.12.07	Vargas	<i>Peer Tutor Summer Camp</i>	Mercedes, TX	12	In-person
7.13.07	Malizia	<i>Grants and Proposal Writing</i>	Houston, TX	16	In-person
7.19.07	Malizia	<i>Grants and Proposal Writing</i>	Dallas, TX	33	In-person
7.24.07	Malizia	<i>Easy-to-Read Health and Wellness Information for Consumers: Recognizing It, Writing It and Rewriting It</i>	Albuquerque, NM	17	In-person
7.25.07	Malizia	<i>Caring for the Mind</i>	Santo Domingo Pueblo, NM	13	In-person

**Other staff activities:** The NN/LM SCR continues to actively recruit to fill the Technology Coordinator position. Two candidates will be interviewed early in the next quarter.

The NN/LM SCR Outreach Contacts meeting was held in Houston on June 28, 2007. Outreach Contact representatives from 13 of the 15 Resource Libraries attended the meeting.



On July 12, 2007, Karen Vargas attended the summer camp of the *Peer Power Plus* program in Mercedes, TX. She met with 12 high school students from the Med High and the Science Academy of the South Texas Independent School District. She presented the latest information about MedlinePlus, other NLM products useful to high school students, and suggestions for instruction.

TABLE 5. Publications and resources developed by RML staff.

<b>Date completed/ Published</b>	<b>Last name of staff responsible</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Medium (e.g., journal article, newsletter article, brochure, online tutorial)</b>	<b>Submitted to Clearinghouse ("yes" or "out of scope")</b>
June 2007	Bougard	<i>Procedure for Requesting a Rebudget for NN/LM SCR Awards</i>	Instructional document	Out of Scope

**Optional photographs with captions:** No activity to report for this quarter.

