

List of Activities by Project – 2008-2009

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: Enter into a formal agreement with at least one institution in each state in the region to serve as a Resource Library	
Outcome: Increased collaborations and access to biomedical information via effective communication mechanisms	
LM_Activity: Install and test PIGs at Resource Libraries	
Background: In Year 3, PIG installed at Wyoming. Set up routine testing of PIGs and AG so that use of technology becomes more seamless. Set up calendar of events. Consider inter-regional events.	
Indicator: Each resource library with a PIG participates in two events	
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 as an integral component of the NNLM Web site	
Background: This addresses back-end systems, not content.	
Indicator: 75% of at least 50 respondents to a survey report that the MCR website increases their awareness of health information resources and regional activities	
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: 75% of 250 respondents to a survey report that the MCMLA LISTSERV increased their awareness of health information resources and regional activities	
LM_Activity: Participate in testing new methods for communication and collaboration	
Background: This could be videoconferencing, IM, VoIP, blogs, wikis, other new Web communication methods not invented yet	
Indicator: Ten new online communication tools are tested and evaluated	
Outcome: Network members are aware of health information resources	
LM_Activity: Maintain web pages for special projects and states	
Background: Yrs 2-5: 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	
Indicator: 75% of at least 50 survey respondents 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: Perhaps take 10-for-10 class or find other methods to educate ourselves. Consult with Kelly Klinke, and other hospital librarians, about how the region can be useful in this area. Scholarly communication at the hospital library level.

Indicator: 10 postings containing information related to hospital informatics will appear in the RML news

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

LM_Activity: Customize the 23 Things Learning 2.0 discovery learning system and offer to members

Background: Has budget implications if we offer MP3 player incentives. Incentive limited to the first 100 health sciences library staff who finish.

Indicator: 50% of the Learning 2.0 participants who complete the class adopt a new technology

LM_Activity: Disseminate and present information about new technologies

Background: Identify, evaluate and monitor the best authoritative sources for new technology information

Indicator: 50% of Network members surveyed indicated that they have adopted at least one new showcased technology per year

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

LM_Activity: Review the adequacy of the Internet connections of network members on an annual basis, reporting the results to the region and to NLM, and assisting the under connected in maintaining and upgrading their connections

Background: Redefine under connected. Is under-connected not being able to access needed resources or communication methods due to firewalls, filters, etc.? We can provide a technology solution, but this is more than that, and has a strong advocacy component -- how do we help the librarian prove the value of the tools and resources needed to administration so that they can have access to these resources?

Indicator: Technology liaisons efforts will contribute to an increase in connectivity of at least one institution over the contract period

Outcome: Working groups contribute to the technology project activities

LM_Activity: Hold regular meetings and complete a project with Technology working group

Background: Identify 2008-2009 working group project; possibly "One Laptop Per Child" project for

emergency preparedness?

Indicator: At least one new idea generated by working group is integrated into the program each year

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