

Middle Atlantic Region

Region 1

Quarterly Report

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New York University Langone Medical Center

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Executive summary

Staff Changes

The Associate Director position, which was posted in the second quarter, continues to remain vacant. Candidates were scheduled to interview in February. Arpita Bose, Outreach and Communications Coordinator, continues to serve as the interim Associate Director.

Major Accomplishments

MAR participated in a mid-contract site visit from the National Library of Medicine on December 9, 2008. The major purpose of the site visit was to assess MAR's progress towards meeting the contract goals. The site visit included three components: a meeting with NYU Medical Center's institutional administrators, a program review conducted by the MAR staff, and a network member feedback session. The final report from the site visit has been posted to the MAR web site (<http://nnlm.gov/mar/about/pdf/marsitevisitreport.pdf>). MAR will use the feedback from the site visit report to inform our work toward the contract goals in the current contract

Challenges

The RML has been operating with an understaffed office in the absence of a full-time Associate Director. It will be a challenge to meet all our external and internal commitments until we are again fully staffed.

Network infrastructure

TABLE 1. Quarterly infrastructure data

	Current quarter	Previous quarter*
Network members – full	457	459
Network members – affiliate	304	300
Libraries providing services to unaffiliated health professionals	209 (46%)*	210 (46%)*
Libraries providing services to public users	227 (50%)*	227 (49%)*
Average fill rate for resource libraries	82%	82%

*Include in parentheses the percentage of full Network member members providing services to unaffiliated health professionals and public users. This can be computed as:
 % providing services = (count of libraries providing services)/(count of full Network members)

Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) activities

Needs assessment and evaluation activities/data

In preparation for the NLM mid-contract site visit, MAR conducted a questionnaire of network members to obtain feedback from them on NN/LM programs and member needs. A copy of the data collected from this questionnaire was provided to the NLM site visit team.

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*
12/02/08-01/31/09	Health and Wellness Fair	Elbridge Free Library	Latreille	996.06	Small Projects
11/10/08-1/1/2010	Getting the (Healthy) Word out: A Train-the-trainer approach for nurses	Rochester Regional Library Council	Joyce Miller	15,000	Planning Awards
11/10/08-1/1/2010	"Learn More. Live Healthy!" Consumer health project.	SUNY Downstate Medical Center	Markinson Mason	15,000	Planning Awards
11/18/08-11/18/09	Providing Library Services to Unaffiliated Mental Health and Public Health Professionals	Health Sciences Library. SUNY Upstate	Long	13,500	Public Health Project

*Suggested project type values: outreach project, express award, exhibit award, technology improvement award, library improvement award, Internet connectivity award, information technology/policy awareness conference, other (please specify)

Update of ongoing major projects (funded at \geq \$15,000)

TABLE 3. Presentations and training provided by RML staff

Date	Last name of staff responsible	Title of presentation/training	Location (city, state)	Number of participants	In-person or distance education
11/03/08	Figueroa	DOCLINE Tune-Up	New York		Distance
11/04/08	Bose	National Library of Medicine's Free Health and Science Resources	Brooklyn, NY	20	In-person
11/04/08	Figueroa	DOCLINE Training (UPMC System)	New York	3	Distance
11/13/08	Headrick	Geeks Bearing Gifts	Philadelphia, PA	13	In person
11/19/08	Hunter	Measuring Your Impact	New York, NY	15	In person
11/20/08	Bose	PubMed for the Rest of Us	Tarrytown, NY	12	In-person
11/20/08	Headrick	Free Productivity Tools	Online	10	distance
11/21/08	Hunter	Measuring Your Impact	Hershey, PA	20	In person
12/02/08	Kennedy-Grant/Bose	Basic Nutrition Resources	New York, NY	26	Distance
12/04/08	Figueroa	DOCLINE Training (Commonwealth University)	New York	2	Distance
1/13/09	Figueroa	DOCLINE Training (Nyack Hospital)	New York	1	Distance
1/14/09	Figueroa	DOCLINE Training (Iona College)	New York	4	Distance
1/21/09	Figueroa	DOCLINE Training (US Army MEDDAC)	New York	4	Distance
1/22/09	Figueroa	DOCLINE Training (Eastern University)	New York	4	Distance
01/23/09	Bose	Patient Safety Resource. Seminar: Librarians on the Front Lines	Williamsport, PA	11	In-person

TABLE 4. Exhibits. Note that separate exhibit reports should not be included with the RML quarterly report.

Dates	Organization name	Meeting name	Location (city, state)
RML NATIONAL EXHIBITS			
11/11/08-11/15/08	American Society of Human Genetics	Annual Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
11/24/08-11/25/08	Disease Management Association of America	The Forum (Annual Conference)	Hollywood, FL
1/31/09-2/3/09	Society of Critical Care Medicine	Critical Care Congress	Nashville, TN
RML REGIONAL/STATE/LOCAL EXHIBITS			
11/04/08	New York City School Library Personnel	Fall Conference	Brooklyn, NY
11/06/08-11/07/08	New York Library Association	Annual Conference	Saratoga Springs, NY
11/08/08-	Pennsylvania Library Association	Annual	King of Prussia,

11/12/08		Conference	PA
11/09/08	Gilda's Club Delaware Valley /Susan G. Komen for the Cure Philadelphia Affiliate	Lesbians with Breast Cancer Conference	New Hope, PA
SUBCONTRACTED NATIONAL EXHIBITS			
SUBCONTRACTED REGIONAL/STATE/LOCAL EXHIBITS			

Actionable feedback received from exhibit visitors

MedlinePlus Go Local

Two new MedlinePlus Go Local in the Middle Atlantic Region were awarded:

1. New Jersey

Awardee: UMDNJ University Libraries

2. Upstate New York

Awardee: Rochester Regional Library Council

Other staff activities

TABLE 5. Publications and resources developed by RML staff

Date completed/ published	Last name of staff responsible	Title	Medium (e.g., journal article, newsletter article, brochure, online tutorial)	Submitted to Clearinghouse ("yes" or "out of scope")
12/2008	Hunter	Measuring Your Impact: Using Evaluation for Library Advocacy	Newsletter (CPHSLA)	Out of scope
01/2009	Figuroa	NN/LM Offers Online Learning	Newsletter (NJLA Reference Section)	Out of scope
01/2009	Figuroa	LinkOut for Libraries: Integrating Full-Text Journals into PubMed	Newsletter (NJLA Reference Section)	Out of scope
12/2008	Hunter	What Has NN/LM MAR Been Up to Lately: Strategic Program Plan for Member Participation	Newsletter (LILRC HealthLine)	Out of scope

On 11/03/08, Arpita Bose presented an RML update at the annual meeting of the Medical & Scientific Librarians of Long Island (MEDLI) in Old Westbury, NY.

On 11/06/08, Arpita Bose presented an RML update at the annual meeting of the New York-New Jersey chapter of the Medical Library Association in New York, NY.

On 11/10/09, while en route to setup for the Pennsylvania Library Association annual conference in King of Prussia, PA, Sue Hunter made site visits to two hospital libraries.

On 11/12/08, the RML and NYU Ehrman Medical Library hosted the Medical Library Association's fall webcast, "Survival Tips and Stories: Expanding the Library's Services in Times of Disaster."

On 11/12-11/16/09, Sue Hunter attended the American Evaluation Association's annual conference in Denver, CO, including a pre-conference workshop on qualitative methods.

On 11/14/08, Karen Brewer presented an RML update at the fall meeting of the Health Sciences Librarians of Brooklyn, Queens, Staten Island, Manhattan, and the Bronx (BQSI/MB) in New York, NY.

On 11/18/08, Arpita Bose participated in a site visit of NN/LM South Central Region in Houston, TX.

On 11/19/08, Miguel Figueroa attended the Northeast Document Conservation Center/New Jersey State Library's Emergency Preparedness Workshop at Plainfield (NJ) Public Library.

From 01/26/09 to 01/29/09, NYU Ehrman Medical Library hosted the National Training Center and Clearinghouse for classes on NLM Gateway, TOXNET, and PubMed.

Optional photographs with captions

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