

# Health Professionals Focus Group

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## Purpose

The Health Professionals Focus Group will assist the Greater Midwest Region (GMR) office of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NNLM) in planning funding, educational offerings, and other programs and services of interest to members who are health professionals (non-librarians).

## Goals

- Provide input annually on funding opportunities offered
- Serve as a focus group for new classes proposed that have health professionals as an intended audience
- Assist in scoring evaluations for funding proposals from health professionals that exceed \$10,000
- Serve as a channel of communication between the GMR office and state and regional health professional organizations

## Membership

- Approximately 8 to 10 health professionals will serve on the focus group. A diverse representation will be sought from professionals serving various professions, including but not limited to: physicians, nurses, public health professionals, pharmacists, social workers, veterinarians, and behavioral health counselors
- Term of service begins May 1<sup>st</sup> and ends April 30<sup>th</sup>
- Term limits will be for one year with the option for renewal

## Meetings

- Meetings will be held via web conferencing software, a minimum of 3 times each year, lasting approximately 30 minutes.
- A general outline of meeting topics is as follows:
  - **Spring:** Funding Opportunity Reviews
  - **Summer/Fall:** Update on Projects; Educational Offering Reviews
  - **Winter:** Input on Upcoming Funding Opportunities