



Health Sciences Librarians Focus Group

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Purpose

The Health Sciences Librarians 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 sciences librarians.

Goals

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

Membership

- One health sciences librarian from each state in the GMR region (North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Michigan, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky) will serve on the focus group
 - Nominees will be solicited first through state health sciences library organizations
 - If no members are nominated by state health sciences library organizations, self-nominations will be accepted; priority will be given to health sciences librarians who are a member of the health sciences library organization in their respective state
- Term of service begins May 1st and ends April 30th
- Term limits are defined by the state health sciences library organization for that state

Meetings

- Meetings will be held via web conferencing software, a minimum of 4 times each year, lasting approximately one hour each
- One face-to-face meeting will be scheduled annually at the Midwest Chapter Medical Library Association meeting, for which participation is optional
- Meetings are open to any NNLM members who wish to attend, guests may request access to the meeting through the GMR office