

List of Activities by Project - Contract Year: 2014-2015

Project: Technology

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RML Goal: Develop collaborations among Network members and other organizations to improve access to and sharing of biomedical information resources throughout the nation	
Outcome: NN/LM MCR communications mechanisms are effective	
LM_Activity: COMMUNICATIONS: Develop/enhance and maintain MCR communication methods for accessing MCR program offerings	
Background: MCR uses a variety of internal and external methods to communicate program offerings to intended audiences. The overall communications goal is to find and use communication methods that reduce duplication and increase the ease of collaboration. MCR Staff are encouraged to actively investigate new communication methods or find new uses of existing ones (with assistance from the technology coordinators as needed). The technology coordinators, along with other MCR staff, work towards MCR communication methods being accessible and consistently functioning as designed and in concert with each other. Year 4 will focus on ";technology POLICIES and trends"; or policy trends that impact network members. This includes attending and reporting on monthly WebSTOC updates AND participating in the NN/LM Web Developer's group and Technology Coordinator and Web-Developer Skype group chats. The MCR solicits feedback from Network Members about usability, navigability, and accessibility of MCR communication tools	
Indicator: 80% of at least 65 individuals from Network member institutions report that they are kept up-to-date on MCR programming through MCR communication methods	
Indicator: Investigate and implement at least one new or new use for an existing communication technology	
RML Goal: Develop, promote, and improve electronic access to health information by Network members, health professionals, and organizations providing health information to the public	
Outcome: Health sciences librarians are integrated in the conduct of e-science	
LM_Activity: INTEREST GROUP: Research Lifecycle Class Members, and any other Network members interested in e-science, learn and share current e-science practices for librarians	
Background: Manage this as a journal club. Promote learned/shared ";Current Practices"; to the region. Check journal club requirements for MLA CE credit. Contact Barb regarding how she ran her journal club. This also fulfills the membership indicator for work groups	
Indicator: The interest group will share information on current e-science practices for librarians through either a presentation or an article publication	
Outcome: Network members adopt new technologies to increase access to biomedical information	
LM_Activity: APP PROJECT: Encourage Network members to explore the use of tablet apps	
Background: The NN/LM MCR will make it possible for qualifying Network members to purchase apps via iTunes or Google Play. They will be required to share their experience with the NN/LM MCR and/or with their institution. App Project participants will be provided with an App Evaluation Worksheet (AEW) to help with developing a systematic and critical evaluation of mobile apps. Participants can use the AEW as a base structure or outline for sharing their	

app evaluations with both the NN/LM MCR and/or their institution. The AEW will be based on the one created by the faculty of the Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library, which is used by University of Utah School of Medicine third year medical students. The AEW guides the users to report on an app's: authority of information sources; accuracy and objectivity; currency of information; organization and usability; purpose; and how it compares with other apps.

Indicator: 90% of the funded App Project participants report how they benefited by improving library services

LM_Activity: MONITOR TRENDS: Regularly monitor and disseminate technology developments

Background: The technology coordinators work toward Network members having an increased awareness of technology information that can increase access to biomedical information. In year 4, there will be a focus on: 1) "technology POLICIES and trends"; or policy trends that impact network members; 2) Technology tools that assist Network members with teaching about biomedical resources and communication tools that assist network members in outreach and collaborative activities; 3) Continue to educate ourselves about EHR technology and monitor and disseminate new developments and advancements on the implementation and use of EHRs, specifically the value of integrating evidence based medicine resources and personal health information into EHR systems. Ideas: Hold webinars with members who have experience with EHRs to discuss their involvement; Regularly add news postings about new developments in this area; Teach classes or make presentations to educate network members; Support raising awareness of integrating MedlinePlus Connect and benefits for achieving meaningful use

Indicator: 80% of 65 individuals agree or strongly agree that they learned something useful from the technology developments disseminated

Indicator: 80% of 65 members stated the information provided by MCR increased their awareness of EHRs

LM_Activity: SANDBOX SESSION: Lead 4 sandbox sessions per year

Background: Sandbox Sessions have different learning objectives than education classes. The concept of MCR sandbox sessions is to provide a chance for participants to schedule time for a fun learning activity; to play, experiment, and learn something new within a supportive forum that provides assistance and answers to questions. Each session will cover a technology tool that was created to make lives less complicated, increase productivity, or enhance communications. The Sandbox Sessions start with 10 minutes of basic instruction followed by 50 minutes of participants taking time to play. The objectives for the Sandbox sessions are for participants to: 1) have fun while learning something new and 2) articulate how this technology could be integrated into their professional lives

Indicator: 90% of Sandbox attendees state that the session was fun

Indicator: At least 2 participants share how they see themselves using the session's tool in their work

LM_Activity: YOUTUBE: Work with MCR staff to create at least one vignette (Just Enough Learning) per project area, promote, and make accessible

Background: Tech coordinators will work with each willing MCR staff to create at least 1 vignette or just enough learning (less than 2 minutes) training video and make accessible. To meet the indicator, each willing MCR staff person could request a few Network members to view their vignette and report back on indicator

Indicator: Each vignette will be viewed by at least 2 Network members who report that they learned something helpful or useful

Outcome: Network members and other organizations are better able to support access to health information resources

LM_Activity: ACCESS BARRIERS: Provide consultations and assist Network members who cannot access NLM and NN/LM resources and services

Background: Assess the number of network members who are blocked from NLM and NN/LM resources and services. Promote and provide consultations and assist Network members in gaining access to blocked NLM and NN/LM resources and services. This can include social media tools used by NLM and NN/LM MCR. Assessment of who does and does not have access should be done.

Indicator: 2 out of 3 Network members who consulted with the MCR indicated that the consultation strategies were helpful in increasing access to NLM and NN/LM resources and services

LM_Activity: GAME: Develop, enhance, and maintain the MCR game

Background: The winner of the game is the player with the most accumulated points across the play areas (Advocacy, Education, and Technology). The winning player must have earned at least 110 points in each play area. The winning player will be recognized on the MCR website, the RML News, and the P2PP Newsletter. The NN/LM MCR will also provide them with a Game Winning Certificate and send announcements to the editor of the MCMLA Express of their spectacular win

Indicator: At least 1 player meets the minimum requirements to win the MCR Game

LM_Activity: MEMBER INTERVIEWS: The NN/LM MCR will capture and share 2 minute videos of Network members sharing effective practices in librarianship

Background: NN/LM MCR staff will identify potential Network members for interviews about effective practices in librarianship and work with the member to produce a video using Adobe Connect. Because some Network members lack the necessary equipment, Technology coordinators will purchase a portable video studio: traveling case, high-quality microphone, cellular enabled iPad and will send the kit to librarians to be interviewed. Technology coordinators will provide instructions for interviewing techniques and technical instructions for equipment use. The Technology coordinators will edit and post the video to the MCRs YouTube channel and promote it to the region

Indicator: Each video will be viewed by a least 2 Network members who report that they learned something helpful or useful

LM_Activity: UNDER CONNECTED: Work on the Community Based Organization Under Connected App Project

Background: The Technology Coordinators and State Coordinators with Under Connected CBO project participants located in their state will work in the Under Connected CBO App Project. This project will provide participating Under Connected Community Base Organizations with funding (pre-paid Apple Store cards) to purchase Apps from the iTunes store. The NN/LM MCR will also provide training on: how to create and access the iTunes store; search for iPad Apps and how to install them onto their iPad device; access resources that assist in identifying quality Apps; and how to use the NN/LM MCR quarterly reporting system.

Indicator: Each participating community based organization will report on an evaluation, usage, and benefit of at least 4 Apps (1 per quarter) they purchased on iTunes