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FEBRUARY MEETING: A MODEL OF STEWARDSHIP FOR THE MEDICAL LIBRARIAN'S ROLE IN EVIDENCE-BASED HEALTH CARE

SUBMITTED by AMANDA ENYEART

At the next CCML meeting on February 15th, Dr. Michael Kahn, a board-certified Internist with a PhD in Medical Computer Science, will discuss his vision of the evolution of the role of the Medical Librarian including our future role in the implementation of evidence-based practice.

The role of the medical librarian has evolved from managing an archive of physical resources to an active partnership in locating relevant knowledge to answer specific clinical and research needs. Dr. Kahn will propose a “third shift” of this role, an expansion to encompass a new agenda which he has labeled “knowledge stewardship.”

Implementing evidence-based practices involves an entire series of knowledge-driven activities including discovery, localization, deployment, and perhaps least appreciated, maintenance. Medical librarians have a deep appreciation for managing a changing knowledge base and have substantial professional skills in knowledge life cycle management. Merriam-Webster defines stewardship as: “the conducting, supervising, or managing of something; especially the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one’s care.”

In this talk, he will present a model of knowledge life cycle management that should be incorporated into evidence-based medicine activities. Dr. Kahn hopes for lively discussion in what he hopes will be a more interactive than didactic presentation, and seeks your input into the further specifying the roles medical librarians can play in this model.

The meeting will begin at 8:00 am when the Education Committee sponsors an informational session with Jenny Garcia. Jenny will discuss what she recently learned about the production process of the Cochrane Reviews.

Refreshments and networking follow at 9:00 with the main program from 9:30 to 10:30. Please also plan to stay for the business meeting from 10:45-11:45.

Directions to The Children's Hospital and parking information are included in this month's mailing and are posted on the CCML website. [cc](http://www.ccmlnet.org)

Save the Date: Thursday, March 30, 2006
Colorado Consumer Health Information Librarians (CCHILL)
More information to come

COCHRANE REVIEWS - HOW ARE THEY CREATED?

SUBMITTED BY LISA TRADITI

Presented by Jenny Garcia, MLS, AHIP
Medical Reference Librarian
University of Wyoming Libraries

The CCML Education Committee invites you to join us for a pre-membership meeting Education Event before the CCML Membership meeting on February 15. Jenny Garcia will share information about the Cochrane Reviewer's Workshop she attended in 2005. She will discuss how the reviewers are taught to set criteria, extract data and write the reviews. Join us at 8 am to hear Jenny. *ca*

2004 INTERACTIVE BENCHMARKING REPORTS AVAILABLE

SUBMITTED BY ROZ DUDDEN

MLA's interactive reporting site captures and reports data from the 325 participating medical libraries that entered data in the benchmarking database from March 19-July 11, 2004. Reports allow hospital libraries, association libraries, libraries serving research facilities, and other library types to compare their services, budgets, and collections with libraries of similar composition, size, or location. Free to participants; available as a subscription to others.

Health Sciences Libraries Statistics: Interactive Benchmarking Reports:

<http://www.mlanet.org/resources/bench05/> *ca*

BYLAWS CHANGES PROPOSED

SUBMITTED BY LYNNE M. FOX,

Bylaws Committee Chair

A list of proposed bylaws changes is included in this mailing of Council Quotes. Thanks for work on these changes go to Bylaws Committee members Margaret Bandy and Jerry Carlson.

Major changes include adding the Marla Graber Award Committee composition and charge and removing the Journal Locator Committee. The CCML Executive Committee, responding to advice from the Journal Locator Committee, has decided that the work related to the Journal

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Locator can be accomplished by an appointed Journal Locator Coordinator who will handle the Journal Locator update.

Some committees felt they could operate with fewer members and several changes reflect requests to downsize the committee size specified in the Bylaws. Also, the Database Coordinator who has sat in on Membership Committee meetings for years has been specified as an ex-officio member of that committee.

Finally, a new clause has been added requiring membership approval of ad hoc committee chairs when those chairs have authority over significant expenditures. This clause will probably only affect approval of the volunteer for chair of the MCMLA Meeting Planning Committee.

Bylaws changes are sent to you with this mailing and voted on at the April business meeting to ensure that members receive and can consider the changes well before voting. *ca*

PARALIBRARIANS SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

SUBMITTED JIM HONOUR

Paralibrarians had a meeting on January 11th at the Rose Medical Center Library. Fourteen people were present. Janet Williams presented an overview of their collection at RMC and answered questions. We also brainstormed some ideas for future meeting topics. We are scheduling our next meeting in April and Ellie Vaughtner, Librarian at Platt College, volunteered to host. Time and date are yet to be determined.

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MUSINGS BY MAXWELL SUBMITTED BY DICK MAXWELL

Knowing your way around a lab doesn't necessarily mean that you can find your way from one end of a simple sentence to the other without getting hopelessly lost. Anyone who's spent any time looking through scientific journals can testify to that. Being able to write clearly is not a requirement for a PhD or an MD, and there are times when it appears that the opposite may be true. That may be one of the reasons why, as the *Wall Street Journal* recently pointed out, ghostwriters are often brought in by researchers or their corporate sponsors to write the articles that appear in such publications as *JAMA*. Sometimes they receive credit and other times they don't.

Whatever ethical issues may be involved, it's a practice that doesn't appear likely to go away. There are some risks, of course, in hiring someone else to put your thoughts into printed words, or to simply provide you with both the thoughts and the words. One of those risks, not noted by the *Journal*, is stylistic. Will the product look and sound the way you would like people to think that you write?

It turns out that there are some hitherto little-known examples of how this can create a bit of a problem. Early in his career, for example, Theodore Geisel, who would become Dr. Seuss, ghostwrote a few articles to make ends meet. A sense of how that turned out can be gleaned from one of the abstracts:

*The news just went out from the country of Zed,
That some of its people have pains in the head.
So some curious doctors designed a cute test,
Giving some folks placebos and Glok to the rest.*

*The Glok was quite tasty and some aches it eased,
But just half of its fifty-two takers were pleased.
"My head, it still hurts," the rest said, moaning low,
"And does this make me happy? I'm telling you, NO."*

*The placebo'd were helped at about the same rate,
So the Glok as a headache cure faced a grim fate.
But as candy it's going to market anew,
Pushed by fabulous spokesperson Cindy Lou Who*

This did not go over well with the peer reviewers, for the most part, but Mr. Geisel enjoyed some success later in another genre.

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Someone else who did some freelancing in this area early in his career was Jerry Seinfeld. Fortunately for TV fans, it didn't work out:

What's the deal with plantar fasciitis, anyway? do you have plants on your feet? well i don't! come on. what kind of name is that? and if your feet hurt, maybe you just need a good pair of running shoes...or maybe you need to invest in a retired linebacker to carry you around...the price right now is not bad. Or maybe, like the people in this study, you should just try "watchful waiting."

Right.

Can you imagine? You're sitting there for weeks on end watching someone's feet. This is about as productive as trying to figure out the nutritional content of those little packages of crackers they give you on airplanes (see page 1356). Those things actually make you hungrier than you were to begin with. And don't get me started on the people they always seat me next to on planes....

This simply didn't work for most medical journals...or for most comedy clubs, for that matter. Eventually, though, the comedy improved.

And then there was Richard Pryor. In his early, struggling years as a young comic, Pryor briefly turned his genius loose on medical ghostwriting:

*so these & *%\$%!@ doctors found 350 & *%\$%!@ who said they'd let them stick a probe up their & *%\$%!@ and & *%\$%!@. holy & *%\$%!@!!!! not this & *%\$%!@!!!
But they did it to those & *%\$%!@ and found this & *%\$%!@ thing right on the wall of their & *%\$%!@.
Then they took pictures of the & *%\$%!@ things. Then they probably turned it into a & *%\$%!@ album!
What are you lookin' at & *%\$%!@???*

"Thank you," the editorial board at *JAMA* said, in a note to the young writer. "We have decided to go in a different direction. Enclosed find a check in compensation for your work thus far, & *%\$%!@." cq

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AORN ANNOUNCEMENT

SUBMITTED BY SARA KATSH

Most of you know Ronda Gunnett, our superb Library Technician, who has been with us since May as an employee of Library Associates.

I am thrilled to announce that Ronda is now an AORN employee. Ronda came to us with ten years of previous library experience, including positions at the Colorado Supreme Court Library and the Medical Group Management Association Library. Ronda handles ILL, among a hundred other things. She's in the CCML Directory, but here's her contact info anyway:
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CCML NEEDS YOU!

CCML VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE for 2006

CCML Internet Chair/Web Editor

Council Quotes Editor

Council Quotes Assistant Editor

Colleague Connection Liaison

Contact President Elect Amanda Enyeart if interested!

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RECENT ENHANCEMENTS TO YOUR FAVORITE NLM DATABASES SUBMITTED BY DANA ABBEY

Select Natural Standard monographs now available in MedlinePlus

On December 13, 2005 the National Library of Medicine (NLM) released another enhancement to its Web-based consumer health resource, MedlinePlus (www.medlineplus.gov). In addition to information on thousands of prescription and over-the-counter medicines, MedlinePlus now includes over 100 herbal and dietary supplement monographs in English and Spanish from Natural Standard. Natural Standard is an evidence-based, peer-reviewed collection of information on alternative treatments. Each monograph includes a table of uses of the supplement based on scientific evidence. The herbal or supplement receives a grade ranging from A (strong scientific evidence for this use) to F (strong scientific evidence against this use) for diseases or conditions it treats. In addition, each monograph provides information on dosing, safety, interactions, and selected references. Many monographs also contain illustrations.

You can find Natural Standard monographs by choosing Drugs & Supplements from the MedlinePlus homepage. Search results for Natural Standard pages have the label (supplement) following the name of the monograph. Upcoming to MedlinePlus: new interactive tutorials, enhanced foreign language access, and a redesigned health topics page.

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Household Products Database Updated

The NLM's Household Products Database has been updated and now includes 6000 brand name products. The Household Products Database (www.householdproducts.nlm.nih.gov/) is a consumer guide that provides information on the potential health effects of chemicals contained in more than 6,000 common household products used inside and around the home. This resource helps consumers learn about ingredients in brand-name products.

New Version of PubMed Tutorial Now Available

The NLM is pleased to release a new version of the PubMed tutorial available from the PubMed (www.pubmed.gov) sidebar. This new version incorporates changes to PubMed through October 2005 including full author searching, first author searching, and updated links to PubMed Help on the Bookshelf.

WebWISER Makes WISER available on the Internet

WISER is an application designed to assist first responders in hazardous material incidents. It provides a wide range of information on hazardous substances, including chemical identification support, physical characteristics, human health data, and containment and suppression information. WebWISER (<http://webwiser.nlm.nih.gov/>) provides the WISER functionality via the Internet, without downloading of software or data to the desktop.

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LIBRARIAN COMICS & MOVIE

Are you worrying about "What would Dewey do? Or can the Mallville librarians defeat the mother of all bookmobiles? Then check out the Unshelved Library at:

<http://www.overduemedia.com/>

The Hollywood Librarian, now in production, will be the first full-length film to focus on the work and lives of librarians in the entertaining and appealing context of American movies. Ann M. Seidel, the writer and director, received her MLIS from the University of Denver. Our own Ruth Gilbert (medical librarian volunteer extraordinaire) was interviewed by Ann. There will be a sneak preview at the ALA June 2006 annual meeting in New Orleans. For more info see:

<http://www.hollywoodlibrarian.com/>

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

RENEWAL NOTICES COMING SOON!

The Membership Committee urges you to return your CCML membership renewal forms and payment no later than March 30th. If you do not receive your renewal notice please use the form at http://www.ccmlnet.org/membership_form.html and indicate that it is a renewal membership. Contact Beth Tweed at 303-315-1221 or Elizabeth.tweed@uchsc.edu with questions. Completed forms and payment can be sent to:

Colorado Council of Medical Librarians
P.O. Box 101058
Denver, Colorado 80210-1058

For new member information: See the printed version of Council Quotes

♪ GETTING TO KNOW YOU ♪ (More Membership News)

Barbara Hamilton has been a member of CCML since 1980! Before earning her Masters degree at the University of Denver in 1980, Barbara worked as the librarian for the Hospital Association of Pennsylvania for three years. After graduation she went on to become the Library Director at the Medical Group Management Association in Englewood, CO. Sixteen years later she found herself in her current job at the National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education, a federally funded Maternal and Child Health Bureau program that is housed at the UCDHSC School of Nursing on the Fitzsimons campus. The NRC provides web resources (<http://nrc.uchsc.edu>) and telephone help (1-800-598-5437) primarily to parents and child care providers throughout the US on health and safety best practices for child care settings. Please take a look at their new web resource for parents called Healthy Kids, Healthy Care – www.healthykids.us. Great for those who provide consumer health services!

Barbara considers the best part of her job to be the direct contact she has with parents and child care providers, and her role in helping them improve the health and safety of children and their environment while in child care and hopefully reduce the risks of injury and harm. She also enjoys creating new resources tailored to the NRC's constituents – providers, parents, state licensing professionals and health professionals that serve the child care community.

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And what an impact they have - their main web site clocked 10 million hits this year!

Barbara has been married to Joe for 25 years and their daughter, Amy, is studying to be an elementary/early education teacher at Southern Oregon University. Barbara's hobbies include beachcombing (lucky to have the Oregon connection!), baseball and books. She also enjoys going to the movies and traveling.

Kate Elder has been a CCML member since 1984. She has managed the medical library at the Colorado Mental Health Institute at Fort Logan since January 1984. Almost three years ago, she assumed the administration of the school library when the school librarian's position was eliminated due to state budget cuts.

After graduation from the University of Denver, Kate worked in the circulation department at Denison library for a year and a half until she was hired by Fort Logan. Her first library job was when she was 16 and worked as an assistant in a middle-school library in Columbus, Ohio. It was her first taste of a “solo” library situation and she still can draw on things that Mrs. Jones, the librarian, taught her.

The best part of Kate's job is the people. According to Kate, the staff is great, very caring and professional. She also likes working with the child and adolescent clients at the school library. She teaches weekly Internet classes on the locked units. She reports that the kids are loads of fun and she loves working with them.

Kate enjoys gardening and takes classes in furniture upholstery at Emily Griffith Opportunity School.

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In the summers, she and her husband, Greg, like to hike and camp in Colorado and Utah. Kate enjoys traveling and will be going to Ireland soon with her best friend from high school.

Kate has two children who are now in their twenties. Greg and she have a family of three cats they adopted this past fall. Greg has started a business selling his drawings and they often travel to art fairs throughout the southwest.

Lastly, Kate states, "I value CCML and its members very highly. I've enjoyed working on several committees throughout the years and hope to be able to take a more active role again."

Lynne Bragdon received her undergraduate degree in Education, cum laude, from Central Missouri State, and her MLS from the University of Oklahoma. She has been the Manager of the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Grand Junction since 1980, when she also joined CCML.

Lynne began her library career as a research librarian at E.I. DuPont de Nemours and Co. in Delaware, where she worked for 4 years. Then she became an assistant librarian at North Cobb High School, in Marietta, Georgia for a couple of years. From there Lynne became Head of Cataloging and Processing at the Rowland Medical Library, and Associate Director of Library Operations, at the University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson

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Mississippi. Just before moving to Colorado she was the manager of Reference Service at the Mississippi Research and Development Center Director, also in Jackson Mississippi.

Active professionally, Lynne is proud to be a distinguished AHIP member. She is listed in the Marquis Who's Who in the West, 21st ed. and the International Who's Who of Professionals and is also a member of Beta Phi Mu. She presented *Training New Library Managers* at the VALNET meeting at MLA's annual meeting in 1997, and in 2001 was part of a panel presentation: *The President's Quality Award Performance Excellence Criteria and You: A Formula for Organizational Excellence*, presented at Excellence in Government in Washington D.C. Lynne has also served MCMLA, and is a mentor for new chiefs and managers of VA libraries. A recipient of a Medical Informatics Fellowship at Woods Hole in 2002, Lynne highly recommends that experience.

Lynne states: "I love working with people and we have a wonderful, highly qualified congenial staff here which makes my job fun. As far as hobbies, my husband, Jim, and I love to travel. We also enjoy chartering 38-42 foot motor yachts and piloting ourselves. Most recently we have taken trips through the San Juan and Gulf Islands off the coast of Washington State and British Columbia, Canada." ca

BLOGS

What is Blogging? See <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Blog>

The Krafty librarian Blog: <http://kraftylibrarian.blogspot.com/> posted by a medical librarian in OH.

Clinical Cases and Images: <http://casesblog.blogspot.com/>

Library Blogs, Medical Blogs, Technology Blogs
<http://nmlm.gov/mcr/services/technology/blogs.html#library>

BlogBib: select Librarian/library blogs: <http://blog-bib-liblogs.blogspot.com/>

Internet Journal of Emerging Medical Technologies (also available as a blog)
<http://www.medgadget.com/>

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CALENDAR

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Jan.	12	Exec. Comm. Mtg., St. Joseph Hospital, Russell Pavilion, Robinson Room, 8:30–10:30am
	16	Council Quotes Deadline
	23	Mailing Deadline
	25	Mailing
	30	Renewal Notices Mailing
Feb.	15	Meeting at Childrens Hospital
Mar.	8	Exec. Comm. Mtg. & Luncheon
	13	Council Quotes Deadline
	20	Mailing Deadline
	22	Mailing
	30	Renewal Notices Return Deadline
Apr.	19	Annual Meeting

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February/March Health Observances

FEB 1-28

Heart Month
www.americanheart.org

AMD/Low Vision Awareness Month
www.preventblindness.org

Kids E.N.T. (Ears, Nose, Throat) Health Month
www.entnet.org/KidsENT

MAR 1-31

National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month
www.preventcancer.org/colorectal

National Kidney Month
www.kidney.org

National Brain Injury Awareness Month
www.biausa.org

COLORADO COUNCIL OF MEDICAL LIBRARIANS OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

2005 /2006

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