

**Colorado Council of Medical Librarians  
2006-2007 Annual Report**

*Submitted by Amanda Enyeart, President*

It has been a pleasure working with you this year as President of CCML. I am happy to report that the officers and committees have once again provided a year full of interesting membership programs and educational opportunities. I thank Gene Gardner and the Education Committee for keeping us informed and entertained this year.

CCML is a group of dedicated professionals who care deeply about the quality of health care information and services available to their constituents—from health care providers to patients to the public. And this year our reach has extended beyond our community. The Advocacy Committee provided the Medical Library Association with the content for their new “Myths and TRUTHS about Library Services” promotional series, the CAL Workshop Task Force provided a forum to discuss consumer health information at the Colorado Association of Libraries Conference, and I (along with Executive Committee members and HealthOne librarians) drafted a response to the administration of HealthOne and its local hospitals expressing our dismay at the reduction and/or elimination of library staff.

Please take a moment to read through the many other accomplishments outlined in the reports below. They attest to the commitment of the talented individuals who make up this vital organization. And once again, if you haven’t been involved in a committee in the past few years, I urge you to join. And if you have never served on a committee, feel free to ask any current or past member about their experiences—I am sure that they will agree that it is worth the effort.

**Treasurer:** *Submitted by Sharon Martin*

Currently, the Colorado Council of Medical Librarians (CCML) is a fiscally sound and stable organization, able to meet our financial obligations. The fiscal year of CCML ends on March 31, 2007. A year end report will be posted to the web page and presented to the membership at the Annual Meeting on April 18, 2007. Adelaide Fletcher will assume the duties of Treasurer for 2007-2008.

**President-Elect:** *Submitted by Gene Gardner*

The President-Elect scheduled four meetings in 2005-2006.

At the September 20, 2006 CCML meeting several presenters from AORN discussed the evolution of their recently formed partnership with Elsevier. They also discussed associations as publishers and the relationship between an association’s library and its publishing arm. The meeting was hosted by Sara Katsh and her staff. For the education component, Sara moderated an ILL tips and tricks discussion before the program.

The November 15, 2006 meeting was held at Denison Memorial Library in the Humphreys lounge. The Education Committee invited attending members to share reports from the Evidence Based HealthCare Conference and the MCMLA conference.

Joe Gal was the presenter for the program portion of the meeting and talked about the history of mauve and its impact.

The February 21, 2007 meeting in the Gates Room at Denver Public Library featured an education session by Kris Johnson of Ask Colorado. This was followed by a presentation by Jane Smoak and Emily Williams and attendant guide-dogs-in-training outlining how dogs are raised and trained to become Guide Dogs for the Blind.

CCML met on March 15, 2007 for their annual Executive Committee Luncheon at Pasquini's Restaurant located at 1336 E. 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Denver's Uptown neighborhood. 12 ingoing and outgoing members were present.

The CCML Annual Meeting was held on April 18, 2007 at Micromedex hosted by Kate Page. David Bordewyk spoke on the use of order sets as a tool for integrating evidence based medicine.

Sponsorships as of March 12, 2007 included Elsevier/MDCConsult/NursingConsult representative Sandi Rengstorf for general program support, Micromedex for providing lunch and EBSCO Biomedical is also contributing to the program.

**Secretary:** *Submitted by Elaine Connell*

During the 2006-2007 year, the Secretary attended all meetings including 5 Executive Committee meetings and 4 Membership Meetings. For each of these meetings she recorded the minutes which were approved by the appropriate bodies, namely the Executive Committee for the Executive Committee meetings, and both the Executive Committee and the general membership for the Membership meetings. Copies of the minutes were entered into the Secretary's permanent file and sent to the Internet Committee for posting online. The Secretary prepared an updated version of the duties of the office which were sent to the Internet Committee for online posting. Stephanie Wiegand will assume the office of CCML Secretary following the April 18, 2007 annual meeting.

**Advocacy Committee:** *Submitted by Stephanie Weldon*

The Advocacy Committee consists of Stephanie Weldon (Chair) and the following members: Karen Wells, Margaret Bandy, Jenny Garcia, Dana Abbey, Adelaide Myers and Barb Jones, the NN/LM liaison for Missouri.

Since its inception, the advocacy committee has been productive and extremely active yielding great results. This past year has been no exception. If you would like to be a part of this results oriented committee please let us know.

The role of the committee is to advocate for the health sciences library and to increase the visibility of health sciences librarians.

The work of the advocacy committee was recognized on a national level by the Medical Library Association. Karen Wells' white paper: "Myths and TRUTHS about Library Services" was expanded upon by the committee. A PowerPoint, bibliography, a brochure directed at hospital administrators, and a brochure for librarians were all created. Margaret Bandy worked to encourage MLA to adopt the CCML advocacy committee's work. The result can be found on the MLA Vital Resources web page. <http://www.mlanet.org/resources/vital/index.html>

For the second year in a row the committee offered an Administrator of the Year Award. On Tuesday October 31, 2006 the Colorado Council of Medical Librarians presented the Administrator of the Year Award to Tracey Lynn Samdahl, Senior Director Shaw Regional Cancer Center, Vail Valley Medical Center. Tracey was nominated by Kimberly Lyons-Mitchell, Medical Librarian, Vail Valley Medical Center Educational Resource Library. The award was presented by Amanda Enyeart, CCML President, Kimberly Lyons-Mitchell and Stephanie Weldon, CCML Advocacy Chair. Photos are available on the CCML web site in the Marketing and Advocacy page.

Stephanie Weldon and Dana Abbey were both liaisons to the Colorado Medical Society Committee on Professional Education and Accreditation. Stephanie was the liaison for the first part of the year and Dana was the liaison for the second part of the year. Stephanie and Dana both worked to encourage the committee to see medical librarians as necessary participants for good patient care and continuing medical education. Dana will continue to request that the Colorado Medical Society adopt the MLA "Standards for Hospital Libraries" (2002) and for a representative to serve on the CMS Committee and Accreditation Site Surveys.

The Committee sent two letters to hospital administrators advocating for medical librarians. The CCML advocacy committee web page was also updated.

**Education Committee:** *Submitted by Debbie Weaver*

Members: Deb Weaver (chair), Clair Birkman, Carole Olds, Ellie Talmage, Lisa Traditi.

**Committee Meetings**

Three face to face meetings took place. Most committee business was conducted via email and telephone conversations.

**Education Programs**

We organized pre-membership meeting education programs for the September 20, 2006, November 15, 2006, and February 21, 2007 meetings.

- The September 20 program involved Sara Katsh discussing tools for streamlining Docline use.
- The November 16 program involved summaries of meeting experiences by several members :
  - Amanda Enyeart, Lynne Fox, and Jeff Kuntzman on MCMLA
  - Lynne Fox on the Rocky Mountain EBHC Workshop in Vail
- The February 15 program was Kris Johnson from AskColorado presenting an update on the status of the AskColorado Virtual Reference (VR) Cooperative and discussing the possibility of future medical librarian involvement within the reference service.

## Continuing Education

The Education Committee organized two CE opportunities

- February 28, 2007 – Viewing of the DVD of the MLA Teleconference – Moving at the Speed of Byte
- March 30, 2007 – Proving Your Worth class with instructor Michelynn McKnight, PhD, AHIP

## Professional Development Fund

We made some changes and clarifications to the application guidelines for this fund. The funds may now be used for local, regional and national events. Formal CE credit is not required. We increased the awards to up to \$200 per applicant per year. As of this writing, \$100 has been granted.

## Isabelle T. Anderson Collection

The ITA fund helped purchase the following materials:

- Health information on the Internet: a study of providers, quality, and users / Rowena Cullen. Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 2006. *Call Number* W 26.5 C967h 2006
- Moving at the Speed of Byte: Emerging Technologies for Information Management / MLA. Teleconference. (not yet cataloged)

2006-2007 Budget – information to be finalized

## Next Term

We're fortunate to have Carole Olds to lead the Education Committee for 2007-2008.

## **Internet Committee:** *Submitted by Shandra Protzko*

Members: Shandra Protzko (Chair), Deb Weaver, Daphne Hyatt, Barb Verble, Lynne Fox, Jeff Kuntzman (Journal Locator Editor),

The entire site was reorganized into folders and all pages were renamed. Many old files were deleted or archived. Internet Committee members changed or updated several pages this year:

Council Quotes	Meeting Minutes	Ill Resources
Annual Operating Plan	Member Directory	Journal Locator
Bylaws & Mission	Member Email Directory	Library Survey
Annual Reports	Officers	Marla Graber Award
Calendar	Treasurer's Report	Medical Paralibrarian SIG
Committees	Presentations & Papers	Meeting Announcements
Continuing Education	Professional Development	
Marketing Advocacy	Fund	

The Evidence-Based Health Care page was discontinued.

A static Maps page was discussed but no decision was resolved.

As of March 2007, there were 128 subscribers to the CCMLnet list. This is an increase of 6 people from last year.

The list of duties can remain the same.

We will need at least one new committee member for the coming year.

**Marla Graber Award Committee:** *Submitted by Linda Van Wert*

Members: Linda Van Wert, Chair; Pat Nelson

Catherine Reiter (UCDHSC Denison Library) was selected to receive the 2007 Marla Graber Award for Excellence & Achievement. The award will be presented at the Annual Meeting in April.

Catherine Reiter was asked to drop off the Marla Graber Award Committee when she was nominated for the award. Linda Van Wert and Pat Nelson were jurors for the award. Catherine Reiter has agreed to serve on the committee next year, and she will be the chairperson.

**Membership Committee:** *Submitted by Beth Tweed*

Presently there are 117 dues paying members of CCML. This is an increase of 4 from 2006.

The renewal letters for next year went out in February and 46 have been returned as of 3/8/07.

The membership committee continued profiling members with over 10 years in CCML. The profiles were published in Council Quotes.

The membership is being given the option of receiving CCML mailings online and the renewal letter in the database was changed accordingly. The renewal letter for next year will be changed to include the Library Cooperation committee, and the Advocacy committee as standing committees for member participation.

Daphne Hyatt, membership chair for most of the year moved out of state, and Beth Tweed assumed chair duties for the remainder of the year.

There is no Membership chair yet for next year.

**Library Cooperation Task Force:** *Submitted by Sara Katsh*

Members: Sara Katsh, Chair, Margaret Bandy, Jim Honour, Sharon Martin, Carmen Urich

The Task Force distributed a series of 6 ILL Tips to the CCML e-mail list and submitted them to be posted on the CCML website and published in Council Quotes. In addition, we forwarded information from NLM on new DOCLINE versions and other advisories.

We also advised CCML members on library closures and the impact on DOCLINE practices.

Members of the Task Force who were present at the Sept 20, 2006 CCML meeting (Sara Katsh, Carmen Urich, Sharon Martin) conducted a session on DOCLINE issues, with the focus on routing policies and procedures.

In 2007, the Task Force will conduct a statistical interlibrary loan survey. Previous surveys were conducted in 1977, 1985, 1990, 1992, 1997, and 2002

**Nominating Committee:** *Submitted by Lynne Fox*

The Nominating Committee was composed of Joyce Condon, BJ Croall, and Lynne Fox (Chair)

The Nominating Committee presented the following slate for officer elections in November 2006:

PRESIDENT: LILIAN HOFFECKER  
SECRETARY: STEPHANIE WIEGAND  
TREASURER: ADELAIDE FLETCHER

All officers were elected at the November 2006 CCML business meeting and will begin their terms in April 2007.

**MCMLA '09 Site Selection Committee:** *Submitted by Lynne Fox*

The site selection committee is Margi Stewart, Shandra Protzko, Catherine Reiter, Dana Abbey and Lynne Fox (Chair).

The Committee distributed and then analyzed the results of a location preference survey. The survey was created by Shandra Protzko using SurveyMonkey. Copies of the survey have been distributed to Jim Bothmer and Martee Magee (MCMLA 2007), and Mary Henning (MCMLA 2008). The group visited 5 hotels in 2 mountain towns and in the Denver metro area.

The group has selected the Great Divide Lodge in Breckenridge based on location amenities, cost, and layout of the meeting rooms. The conference dates will be September 21-24, 2009. Weather is in the 50-65 degree range in late September and snowfall can occur but is usually light and of limited duration. Early fall snow can slow travel, but seldom interrupts airport shuttle service.

A contract has been negotiated for the meeting and signed by the MCMLA meeting advisor, Rebecca Graves. Permission for a credit check has been sent to the hotel.

The site selection process was aided by the services of Barbara Campbell, Location Research Associates, a meeting location research company.

In spring 2008, Lynne will be recruiting CCML members to be planning committee members and committee chairs. Then we will select a theme, graphic design, and begin planning the program.

**Paralibrarians Special Interest Group:** *Submitted by Jim Honor*

We continued our focus as an educational and networking group for medical paraprofessionals. The group meets quarterly with meetings in July, October, January and April.

Twenty-four people currently are on our email list with nine reported as official members of the group by virtue of their membership in the CCML. The average census at meetings has been 8 people.

We seem to be having a lot of interest and should continue as a strong sub-group of the CCML during the coming year.

Highlights of this year:

- July: Deb Weaver, Clinical and Instructional Librarian at The Children's Hospital, shared a fantastic presentation entitled, "Evidence-Based Medicine."
- October: Meeting was held at Exempla St. Joseph Hospital. Our guest speaker, Ellen Graves, Consumer Resources Librarian at the hospital, expounded on the theme of "Life in a Consumer Health Library."
- January: Lisa Traditi, Department Head of the Education/Learning Resources Center at Denison, presented a session on "Creating Influence - Building Relationships the Easy Way."
- April: We will close out the year we have our meeting at Platt College. Ellie Vaughter will host.

Finally, we're happy to announce that Debra Miller and Debra Taylor have accepted duties as Co-Conveners for this group for the next year.