Assessment and Statistics Committee
2014 Charge

The Assessment and Statistics Committee supports the planning needs of academic health sciences libraries through:

- Communication and education about the development, testing, and application of library statistics, performance measures, qualitative and quantitative methods, benchmarking, analytics and management tools.
- Development, editing and production of the *Annual Statistics of Medical School Libraries in the United States and Canada*

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- Develops, edits and produces various editions of the Annual Statistics of Medical School Libraries in the United States and Canada. Committee members serve as editors for annual and special surveys and provide assistance in revising surveys.
- Communicates about and demonstrates the value of the Association’s assessment and statistical products.
- Recommends new assessment strategies including outcomes and assessments measures that establish and support Knowledge Management in Education.
- Acts as AAHSL’s liaison with other statistics initiatives.
- Encourages research on statistics and assessment at academic health sciences libraries, especially research using the Annual Statistics of Medical School Libraries in the United States and Canada.

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  - Completes the FY13 statistics surveys: annual, salary & descriptive.
  - Prepares for FY14 statistics surveys (annual, salary & resources)
    - Reviews survey questions, especially the services & resources survey
    - Communicates about surveys and survey changes.
- Communicates about and demonstrates the value of the Association’s assessment and statistical products.
  - Updates the website with information about the surveys.
  - Provides tidbits on a monthly basis.
- Communicates about assessment strategies and trends, sharing information from other organizations.
- Identifies possible assessment projects that could be undertaken by AAHSL libraries.
- Acts as AAHSL’s liaison with other statistics initiatives. No current activity in this area.
- Encourages research on statistics and assessment at academic health sciences libraries, especially research using the Annual Statistics of Medical School Libraries in the United States and Canada.
  - Communicate with library school directors about the data about encouraging their students to use the data for research.