

AAHSL Research Enterprise Task Force

Annual Report
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Task Force Charge 2012 - 2014

Specific tasks:

- Identify outcomes that AAHSL would like to see from the GIR research summit and share those with GIR, GRAND and other groups as appropriate
- Work with GIR on the subsequent activities and outcomes they plan to pursue
- Develop information or educational opportunities that keep members abreast of research trends, initiatives, etc. in conjunction with the Program and Education Committee.
- Recommend to the board next steps for AAHSL to pursue concerning research initiatives

Collaboration with GIR

Ruth Riley served as the contact with the GIR Sustaining the Digital Research Enterprise (SDRE) Task Force. She attended a December 2012 meeting at AAMC to discuss next steps. Key topic areas were developed as the foundation for a resource for the AAMC community. GIR/AAHSL organized a panel discussion at the SF AMIA Spring meeting. The GIR Key Topic areas were well received and AMIA participants encouraged GIR to synthesize the key topic areas and consider developing a statement. They also suggested that there would be a broad audience for the information and to have wide distribution of the information beyond AAMC members.

In May 2013, the GIR SDRE Task Force met via phone and reached agreement that AAMC is positioned to have an impact but will require resources and identified next steps as enhancement of AAMC GIR IT Survey to include Research IT organization and infrastructure questions, creation of a GIR Tech Brief on a research IT infrastructure topic, development of a site similar to EMO (Education in Motion) to serve as a resource center, and continuation of outreach efforts to HIMSS, Educause, and CHIME. At the June 2013 GIR annual meeting in Vancouver, it was announced that the GIR SDRE Task Force would transition to a GIR Work Group.

In September 2013, GIR announced the establishment of the GIR Research Technology Work Group which will be responsible for informing GIR members and the AAMC on research technology issues, trends and related infrastructures while working collaboratively with other AAMC groups, particularly the Group on Research Advancement and Development (GRAND).

Institutional Data Management Policies Survey: The Task Force will survey AAHSL directors in Fall 2013 to identify institutional data management policies. Results will be reported to the AAHSL listserv in late 2013.

Research Data Management Webinars: The Task Force will organize a series of webinars for the AAHSL membership. The series will begin in Fall 2013.

- Introduction to Data Management -- a webinar produced by the MidAtlantic RML (produced by Melissa Ratajski). Available for viewing anytime <http://nmlm.gov/mar/training/>
- MLA 2013 presentations on data management. We will schedule 2-3 presenters per hour
- Institutions that received NLM Administrative supplement grants
- Institutions that are establishing data management programs: U Mass, NYU, U Pitt.

Website: We will develop pages for the AAHSL website with information about data management. It will include data management policies and links to presentations.

Communities of Interest: The Task Force will consider establishing a space where those working in data management can discuss issues.

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