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Some of you may know that I began taking graduate courses in public health last fall, and at the moment, I’m in the middle of an accelerated biostatistics course. Unsurprisingly, this means I have been viewing everything through the lens of statistical inference (and that many of my evenings run fairly late). Since Region 3 began in 2021 with an eye toward robust assessment (and a lot of progress since then), it seems a natural progression that I find myself thinking about what we can actually infer from our data about our impact and the significance (p-value) we can claim.

Of course, this sort of research project might be a long way off, but it reminds me that learning is ultimately a transformational process. While it would be difficult to use my random (in everyday usage, not in the sense of, say, a probability distribution) thoughts to gauge the depth of this change or anyone else’s, we can and do measure the impact of our educational programming, and so I’m so glad to once again share our numbers for the year as of February 10th, 2023:

- Total participants in Region 3 activities, including subawards: 2,733
- Popularity of activities by state (most to least): Texas, Missouri, Kansas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Nebraska
- Total MLA Continuing Education credit claimed: 680
- Engaged partner institutions: 42
- Personal reach of individual staff: 12,847
- Reach of all communication channels: 242,197

As we prepare for Year 3 (which is incredible to think about), we’re excited for new collaborations continuing to increase reach of our education numbers and new regional partnerships. For instance, we’ll be working with Region 2, based at The Medical University of South Carolina – MUSC, to jointly offer our re-tooled LIS student development award – look out for a call for applications in April!

We’re also about to launch a podcast version of Health Bytes on March 22nd. You’ll be able to easily access previous recordings and still get CE; we’re also hoping to feature bonus content, like follow-up interviews with past former speakers or topical content that you ask us for! If you run a podcast yourself, we’d love to team up with you to help us accomplish the NNLM mission of advancing the progress of medicine and improve the public health through transformational education and information.

And as always, of course, we want to hear from you! There are a lot of exciting things in the pipeline that you’ll find in this issue, and we welcome your questions and feedback on all of it.

As for me, back to studying!

Brian Leaf
Executive Director
NNLM Region 3
This symposium hopes to explore the factors needed to enable communities and healthcare systems to be more effective in reducing maternal morbidity and mortality.

Participants will be able to:

- cite the free patient information resources available from the National Library of Medicine that involve pregnancy and morbidity and mortality prevention issues
- identify possible ways to provide emergency access to those in need of care in remote areas during pregnancy and postpartum care
- summarize the infectious diseases that can affect a pregnancy and postpartum care
- list the ways to reduce the risk of hemorrhage in pregnancy, labor and delivery and postpartum care
- describe how telehealth can provide remote access to services for diabetes and high-risk pregnancies
- discuss the emotional and substance abuse issues that can affect a pregnancy and postpartum care

[Click here](#) to register!
Pennington Biomedical Research Center in Baton Rouge, LA is excited to announce that John D. Lovelace has recently been appointed as the new Library Director and Assistant Director of Scientific Education. JD comes to Pennington Biomedical with over a decade of library experience. He has worked several years in the public library sector before moving to the State Library of Louisiana as a consultant. JD is very excited about the move to Pennington and is looking forward learning the ins and outs of the medical library world.

JD's hiring begins a new era for Pennington as former Library Director Lori Steib brings her 26-year tenure to a close. Lori has retired from the LSU System and moved on to the new position of Registrar for a local Baton Rouge high school. Please send a warm welcome to JD and wish Lori good luck in her future endeavors!

Submitted by Lori Steib

The Health Bytes content you've known and trusted for years will now be available in a new, additional audio format beginning March 22, 2023! Podcasts are eligible for 1 MLA CE. Find us on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, or wherever you stream audio.
Job Postings

NNLM Region 3 is seeking a new Health Literacy and Membership Specialist to develop, coordinate, and implement outreach and educational programs while keeping abreast of trends in health literacy, consumer health information, and related subjects.

Fully remote with some travel expected.

Learn more and apply today!

More Jobs in Region 3

- Medical Librarian
  Children's Health
  Dallas, TX

- Education and Instruction Librarian
  UT Southwestern Medical Center
  Dallas, TX

- Research Support Librarian (Health Sciences)
  Tulane University - Matas Library
  New Orleans, LA

- Outreach Services Librarian/Informationist
  University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
  Little Rock, AR

Hiring? Have a big announcement?
Submit your news to be featured in our Newsletter or Announcements Digest!
How PubMed Works
Series begins March 2, 2023

NNLM offers 4 webinars focusing on How PubMed Works! If you are needing a refresher or want to learn about recent changes in PubMed, these webinars are for you! Click the links below for more information and to register for each session.

- March 16: How PubMed Works: MeSH

From Problem to Prevention: Evidence-Based Public Health
May 25, 2023 - Noon CST

Curious about evidence-based public health (EBPH) but not sure where to start? This class will explain the basics of evidence-based public health (EBPH) and highlight essentials of the EBPH process such as identifying the problem, forming a question, searching the literature, and evaluating the intervention.

Introduction to Research Data Services
May 9, 2023 - 1:00pm CST

Are you curious about what this whole data thing entails? Are you interested in starting new research data services at your institution? Have you considered a career in data services? If you answered “yes” to any of those questions, this webinar is for you.

Join us for Role of Rural Libraries in Promoting Digital Health Literacy on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at 10:00am CST.

Please complete free registration at the link above for connection details.
Registration is open for the NNLM Virtual Symposium April 4-6, 2023. The 2023 NNLM Virtual Symposium, Health Misinformation will explore both the research behind health misinformation movements and provide practical and evidence-based solutions to support librarians, health educators, and direct care providers in combating the spread of all types of health misinformation. Topics may include the types of misinformation, history of health misinformation, tips to understand health research, combating social media spread, the effects of health misinformation on individuals and communities, and highlighting replicable programs that Network Members can implement to address health misinformation.

This virtual symposium will feature sessions focused on data, public health, libraries, and general health misinformation, featuring the following Keynote speakers:

- **Kyla Fullenwider**, Senior Advisor at the U.S. Office of the Surgeon General. Her expertise in combating misinformation and designing human-centered solutions is being used to help communities stay informed about COVID-19, among other things.
- **Jevin West**, co-author of *Calling Bullshit: Data Reasoning in a Digital World*
- **Amanda Wilson, Alla Keselman, Catherine Arnot Smith**, editors of *Combating Online Health Misinformation: A Professional's Guide to Helping the Public*

**Can’t make all the sessions?** That’s okay! All sessions will be recorded and available on the symposium platform for up to 30 days.

**Can we get CE credit?** Yes! Participants can earn MLA CE.

Learn from this panel and more at the NNLM Research Symposium! [Register today!](#) Follow this event on Twitter: [#HealthMisinfoNNLM](#)
Hobby Matching Game
Can you match us to our favorite things?

NNLM Region 3 staff works hard every day to bring you training, funding, and partnership opportunities to make our communities stronger and healthier - but what do we do to unwind when we're off the clock? See if you can match each of us to our favorite hobby!

Margie Sheppard
Community Engagement Coordinator
Walking the Dog

Brandon Kennedy
Health Information Strategist
Herb Gardening

Katie Pierce Farrier
Data Science Strategist
Arts & Crafts

Debbie Montenegro
Deputy Director
Playing Piano

Bailey Sterling
Student Engagement & Marketing Strategist
Acrylic & Oil Painting

Gabriel Couret
Podcast Producer
Playing Video Games

Sheilia Scott
Project Support Specialist
Playing Board Games

Jennifer Ortiz
Consumer Health Coordinator
Hitting the Links

Answers on p.9 - How many did you get right? Email us and let us know!
Think you need to be a researcher to contribute to Wikipedia's health information online? Think again! Anyone can edit Wikipedia - we'd love for you to join us to improve Wiki health articles! This year, we are focused on articles about mental health.

Join the #citeNLM Wikipedia Edit-a-thon on March 24th. To learn more, click here.