

# Ontario Health Libraries Association

Report to the Canadian Health Libraries Association  
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## 1. Name

Ontario Health Libraries Association

## 2. Membership Update

Amalgamation of hospitals in Ontario has made a significant impact on OHLA membership numbers. As a result, OHLA changed its membership structure a year ago to a single individual membership category. We have about 70 names in our current membership directory. The membership year runs from January - December.

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**5. Newslines & Website:**

The Newslines, OHLA's newsletter, is published in print on a quarterly basis and also made available on the Association's website. The website is located at <http://www.ohla.on.ca>

**6. Strategic Plan:**

There have been no changes to the strategic plan over the past year. We will be re-examining our plan over the next year in light of developing cooperative ventures with the Ontario Library Association.

**7. Conference Update:**

In 2003 OHLA changed the location of its Annual Conference from the Ontario Hospital Association convention to the Ontario Library Association's Superconference. We contributed a health sciences library stream to OLA's extensive programming for librarians in return for member rate registration fees for OHLA members at the Superconference. In 2003, we offered 5 sessions featuring the NNLH, Searching PubMed, Cancer Resources, Evidence-Based Librarianship and Consumer Health Resources. This coming year we propose a total of 8 sessions. This change has provided our members with access to education of a caliber and breadth that we would not be able to provide on our own, as well as access to a broad range of library-related exhibitors who do not attend the OHA Convention.

**8. Ontario Hospital Association's eHealth Library Proposal:**

OHLA wrote a letter of support for the OHA eHealth proposal and indicated its desire to become an actively participating member of the Working Group in Phase 2 of the project.

Susan Hendricks,  
OHLA President  
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