

**National Network of Libraries for Health
Steering Group
Teleconference
Tuesday, June 26, 2002**

Present:

Bev Brown (NNLH Secretary; CISTI), Jim Henderson (Medical Library Service, College of Physicians and Surgeons of B.C.), Marty Lovelock, (Health Canada), Merle McConnell (Health Canada), H  l  ne Valin (Teleconference Chair and NNLH Project Coordinator; Health Canada), Patrick Ellis (Co-Chair, NNLH Steering Group), Teresa Prior (Royal Inland Hospital, Kamloops, B.C.), Jessie McGowan (Co-Chair, and Past-President, CHLA/ABSC)

Regrets: Dorothy Fitzgerald, (ACMC/AFMC, Committee on Medical School Libraries), Louise Bourbonnais (ASTED)

Minutes of the Meeting of June 4, 2002

Approved.

Actions arising:

CHLA/ABSC web site. J. McGowan and H. Valin will update information on the CHLA/ABSC web site. A revised NNLH update will be posted; Steering Group minutes will be translated and posted.

Communication strategy. J. Henderson and P. Ellis to work on an elevator speech. A separate communications piece is needed for practitioners, consumers, politicians, researchers and policy makers. For each group we need to define the problem and the solution that NNLH will bring. We need to stress that "without NNLH, research will continue to be translated into practice more slowly". Canada may be the only developed country without a national health information initiative.

M. McConnell suggested that we could make a five-minute video. Algonquin College has produced videos for the Ottawa Hospital. H. Valin will look into possibilities within Health Canada and identify sources and costs.

B. Brown will check with CISTI's communications staff on designing a communications strategy.

Other.

It was announced that Jim Henderson has been appointed Head, Health Sciences Library, McGill University. Congratulations Jim!

H. Valin will ask that NNLH be included as one of the Health Canada presentations at the annual Information Management (IM) Day, a one-day event for federal staff sponsored by the Chief Information Office of the Treasury Board Secretariat. The NAHSN project in northern Ontario could be highlighted as a prototype. C. Rayment asked how much access to the Cochrane database would cost for Canada. J. Henderson will ask what the UK paid. C. Campbell is at the Royal College of Canada, responsible for CME. CIHR has made funding available for Knowledge Translation.

Action List.

	Description	Responsible	Due Date	Completed
1	Revise NNLH update on CHLA/ABSC web site	J. McGowan H. Valin	Aug. meeting	
2	Translate and post Steering Group minutes to CHLA/ABSC web site	J. McGowan	Aug.	

		B. Brown	meeting	
3	Find out information on producing a communications video on NNLH	H. Valin	Aug. meeting	
4	Check with CISTI communications staff	B. Brown	Aug. meeting	
5	Draft elevator speech	P. Ellis J. Henderson All to respond	Aug. meeting	
6	Ask that NNLH be included in IM Day agenda	H. Valin	Aug. meeting	

The next meeting date was set for August 26, 2002.