

## ***Ottawa Valley Health Library Association Report 2010***

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Our chapter currently has 25 members, mostly institutional members, but with a listserv of over 75 participating individuals. Members include hospital, university, government and health associations.

This year we shifted our listserv from hosting by CISTI to hosting by CHLA. We thank Tim Tripp and Amanda Hodgson for their efforts in making this transition.

We held a successful continuing education day in the fall, featuring advanced PubMed searching lead by Emmanuel Nkansah and Melissa Severn from CADTH, and a Cochrane Train the Trainer workshop lead by Tamara Rader of The Cochrane Collaboration.

Melanie Wise initiated an interest group for those working in consumer health information provision (and creation), and we have had our first two meetings. We hope to continue this initiative although Melanie has moved to a position outside healthcare.

The hospital libraries have been asked by our local health integration network to put together a proposal to integrate the hospital libraries into a single entity, so far called "Champlain Library." The hospital libraries are to prepare a proposal by fall, and are liaising with the University of Ottawa to determine a role for their academic health sciences library within such a service.