

Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM) Annual Report

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Year 2



NNLM by the Numbers



More than
8,800
members



More than
\$1.2 million
in funding
awarded



More than
24,000 people
participated in
network activities

Learn about the seven Regional Medical Libraries (RMLs)

The RMLs coordinate the operation of a network of libraries and other organizations to carry out regional and national programs.

[Region 1:](#) Health Sciences and Human Services Library at the University of Maryland, Baltimore

[Region 2:](#) Medical University of South Carolina Libraries

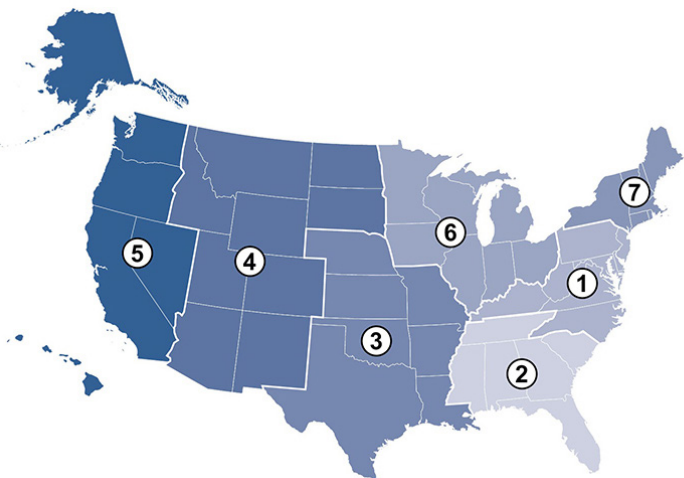
[Region 3:](#) Gibson D. Lewis Health Science Library at the University of North Texas Health Science Center

[Region 4:](#) University of Utah Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library

[Region 5:](#) University of Washington Health Sciences Library

[Region 6:](#) Hardin Library for the Health Sciences at the University of Iowa

[Region 7:](#) University of Massachusetts Chan Medical School, Lamar Soutter Library



Highlights From Around the Regions

Region 1:

- Sponsored five School of Library and Information Science (SLIS) interns during the University of Kentucky Alternative Spring Break at four host sites.
- Collaborated to update or develop several new resource guides, including the [Proposal Writing Toolkit](#), [Guidelines for Award Requirements](#), [Environmental Health and Justice](#), and more.

Region 2:

- Presented “Embracing a Longitudinal Simulation Curriculum on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Utilizing Virtual Reality” at the Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association (MLA) 2022 Annual Meeting.
- Created a diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) survey that collected data about diversity in library collections for public and academic libraries throughout the region.

Region 3:

- Spearheaded a new multi-state, multi-institutional program to serve Veterans Affairs (VA) patients using Whole Health-informed health literacy patient education modules.
- Launched a new professional development award to give early- to mid-career professionals an opportunity to explore formal and informal leadership in health sciences libraries.

Region 4:

- Led the development of a course approval guide for Library and Information Science (LIS)/iSchool instructors to get their health information-related courses to qualify for the MLA Consumer Health Information Specialization (CHIS).
- Partnered with *The Carpentries* to host workshops to improve data skills within library and information-related communities.

Region 5:

- Led the creation of the CHIS On-Demand course titled Communication, Reference, and Instruction, to meet core competencies required for the MLA CHIS.
- Released the [Diverse Voices in Health & Medicine Collections Toolkits](#).

Region 6:

- Launched the [Health Misinformation Webinar Series](#).
- Conducted site visits and outreach to tribal college libraries and public libraries.

Region 7:

- Hosted a hospital libraries advisory group meeting, which led to the creation of a virtual journal club on the *History of the Rochester Study* and training on ClinicalTrials.gov for librarians.
- Developed and disseminated substance use disorder social media toolkits.

Listen to the NNLM Discovery Podcast

The [podcast](#) highlights stories from around the seven regions, and it explores how NNLM is engaging with communities to provide access to trusted information for the purpose of improving the public's health.

