

CAHSL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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To promote an understanding of the health sciences librarian's role and unique abilities in the management of information within Connecticut's health care system.

- Support the Connecticut Hospital Association Conference. Publicize and clarify conference benefits.
- CAHSL and CHA Conference of CAHSL will work cooperatively to produce at least one educational program for the CHA membership.
- Develop a letter to be sent to the CEO and Human Resource Director at institutions where an opening for a professional librarian exists that offers assistance to the institution and awareness of CAHSL.
- Use the CAHSL listserv to promote the publication of articles regarding health science librarianship through idea generation and collaboration.
- Generate a credential form to document professional membership standards.

To continue to develop and strengthen the knowledge and skills needed by member librarians.

- Offer an MLA accredited continuing education course for the membership.
- Encourage and assist members in applying for membership in AHIP.
- Hold "issues of concern" discussions by individual members at business meetings several times during the year.
- Encourage and support CAHSL members to stay up-to-date with new technology.
- Keep membership aware of courses offered by other groups with professional relevance. This includes courses offered on the Internet and other distance learning opportunities.

To foster and strengthen CAHSL's current system of information exchange with other organizations and within the larger consortia of which CAHSL is a member.

- Encourage attendance at the annual NAHSL conference.
- Keep membership aware of RML developments and initiatives.
- Develop and present a program for the Connecticut Library Association meeting in April.
- Promote CAHSL membership to Southern Connecticut State University library students through listserv communication.
- Contact SLA to develop and work on a collaborative program/project.

To continue to develop a cohesive professional group.

- Encourage membership and active participation in CAHSL.
- Distribute CAHSL information especially in regards to meetings, in a timely fashion to improve attendance.
- Transition newsletter function into website content and listserv communications.
- Maintain fiscal stability.
- Evaluate whether the change in dues structure is sufficient to cover the activities of CAHSL. Address imbalances.
- Oversee committee budget reporting.
- Develop a sponsorship letter to be sent to library-related vendors.