# Research Support Requirements of CHLA/ABSC Members

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## CHLA/ABSC Special Committee on Research

- Formed in May 2016
- Terms of Reference

http://www.chla-absc.ca/docs/TOR ResearchCommittee 2017.docx

## Survey description

- 23 items questionnaire
- Distributed through CHLA/ABSC ListServ
- Available in French and English
- Open for two weeks, two reminders were sent out
- Responses n=45
  - French n=3English n=42



## Demographic profile of respondents



#### Research activities

#### **Research in the past two years**

No, 23% Academic Librarian (n=1) Hospital Librarian (n=8) Other (n=1) Academic librarian(n=21) Hospital Librarian (n=10) Yes, 77% Other (n=2)

# Publication history



#### Research activities

#### **Publication format**





## Research as part of job description



## Dedicated time for research

Organization	Yes	Νο		
Academic Library	16	3		
Hospital Library	2	12		
Other		2		

#### Types of dedicated research time include:

- Sabbatical
- Study leave (range from ad hoc, 1 day a month, 12, 14, 24 days a year, 4 weeks a year)
- Research Leave
- % of time assigned to research
- Dedicated time
- Reduced workload

# Available funding



Organization	Yes	Νο		
Academic Library	9	5		
Hospital Library	1	12		
Other	1	2		

#### **Types of funding available:**

- Professional Development funds (conferences, software, travel, equipment, books, OA fees)
- Internal Grants
- Sabbatical/Research leave funding
- External Grants

# Barriers to research

#### Barriers to research



### Barriers to research: subgroups

Cannot identify a research topic



#### Barriers to research: subgroups



#### Don't know where to start

#### Barriers to research: subgroups

#### Lack of funding 6 5 4 3 High (1 or 2) Low (6 or 7) 2 1 0 Other (n=3) Academic Library (n=23) Hospital Library (n=19)

# **Educational support**

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#### Desired research educational support



# Desired research methodology support

#### The options were:

- Participatory/community research
- Surveys
- Focus groups
- Theoretical Research methods
- Qualitative research (e.g. grounded theory, ethnography, phenomenology)
- Systematic Reviews
- Scoping reviews
- Realist reviews
- Other kinds of reviews (mapping, integrative, etc.)
- Media analysis (e.g. textual analysis, image analysis)

### Desired research methodology support

**First Choice** 



### Desired research methodology support



### Format of the training

In person and hands on sessions are preferred for more complex topics like statistics, research methods, metaanalysis, qualitative research, etc.. including opportunities for homework, practice, and feedback.

Self help and webcast sessions are preferred for less intensive topics including how to create posters and surveys. Self help and webcasts were identified as a means to overcome funding and travel restrictions.

#### Three (3) targeted specific research programs

- abstract or paper peer-review program
- mentorship program
- research question and answer list or blog



#### Abstract or paper peer-review program



No

- Yes, as a submitter of papers for review
- Yes, as a reviewer
- Yes, as both a submitter of papers and as a reviewer
- Other
  - Expectations and needs
  - Solo librarians vs. non-solo librarians
  - Responsibility of local chapters to tackle this as a CoP activity
  - Must be the last step in the development

#### Mentorship



- No
- Yes, as a mentor
- Yes, as a mentee
- Yes, as both mentor and mentee
- Not sure
- Other

#### Research Q & A list or blog









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#### I. GENERAL

- Connaway L, Radford M, Connaway L. Research Methods In Library And Information Science, 6Th Edition [e-book]. Santa Barbara, California: Libraries Unlimited; 2017.
- LARKS ALA Librarian and Researcher Knowledge Space http://www.ala.org/research/larks/researchmethods
- The Researching Librarian http://www.researchinglibrarian.com, contains information about databases, funding, journals, statistics, tools, awareness, proceedings

#### **II. QUALITATIVE RESEARCH**

- · Qualitative Inquiry and Research Design: Choosing Among Five Approaches by John W. Creswell
- · Qualitative Research & Evaluation Methods by Michael Quinn Patton
- The Coding Manual for Qualitative Researchers by Johnny Saldaña
- The SAGE Handbook of Qualitative Research Edited by Norman K. Denzin and Yvonna S. Lincoln

#### **III. QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH**

- Morgan, Susan E., Tom Reichert, and Tyler R. Harrison. From Numbers to Words: Reporting Statistical Results for the Social Sciences. Boston: Allyn and Bacon, 2002.
- Sample Size Calculator. Creative Research Systems. Sample Size Calculator https://www.surveysystem.com/sscalc.htm

#### **IV. STATISTICS FOR LIBRARIANS**

Gillian Byrne. A Statistical Primer: Understanding Descriptive and Inferential Statistics. (2007) https://ejournals.library.ualberta.ca/index.php/EBLIP/article/view/168

#### V. TOOLS

- Library Research Service. Library User Survey Templates & How-Tos https://www.lrs.org/library-user-surveys-on-the-web/
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2	Study the past 5 years of the CHLA Programs to see if there are topics that are not being addressed at the conference	2017/05/08	Sandy Campbell	sandy.campbell@ ualberta.ca	no	yes			
	How does early international experience in a librarian's career influence the choice of practice location or content?	2017/05/08	Sandy Campbell	sandy.campbell@ ualberta.ca	no	yes			
4	How do health libraries respond to "time-critical" topics (eg: fentanyl)? How could we collaborate to be more efficient?	2017/05/08	Sandy Campbell	sandy.campbell@ ualberta.ca	no	yes			
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Salon A Wednesday May 17 4:30 – 5:30

