

1997 PNC/MLA Membership Survey

This survey asks you what PNC/MLA should be doing as an organization. All information that would permit identification will be kept confidential. Comments on any question are welcome; attach additional sheets as needed.

1. I belong to the following professional organizations:

- PNC/MLA
- SLA(Special Libraries Assn)
- MLA(Medical Library Assn)
- ASIS(Amer Soc for Information Science)
- CHLA(Canadian Hosp Libraries Assn)
- AMIA(Amer Medical Informatics Assn)
- State or local organization _____(please list)
- Other _____(please list)

If you are not a current PNC/MLA member, why didn't you renew or membership or join PNC?

2. I have been a health information professional for the follow number of years:

- less than 5
- 16-20
- more than 30
- 5-10
- 21-25
- 11-15
- 26-30

3. My educational background includes (check all that apply):

- Master's degree in Library Science
- Other MA/MS _____(list area of study)
- BA or BS
- Other _____(list area of study)

4. I am an Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) member:

- yes
- no

5. My position is:

- full-time permanent
- part-time permanent
- full-time temporary
- part-time temporary

6. I spend at least one-third of my time performing management responsibilities in my library:

- yes
- no

7. The number of FTEs (full-time equivalents), including all professional, non-professional, student, and volunteer positions, in my library is:

- Less than 1
- 6-10
- 1-2
- 11+
- 3-5

8. The type of organization I work for is (Check all that apply):

- Academic
- For-Profit Hospital
- Not-for-Profit Hospital
- Biotechnology/Bioengineering
- Research Facility
- Governmental Agency
- Other: _____(please list):

9. My salary, if stated for 1.0 FTE (based on full-time equivalency of 2080 hours/year) is:

- less than \$20,000
- \$31-35,000
- \$51-60,000
- \$21-25,000
- \$36-40,000
- \$41-50,000
- more than \$60,000
- \$26-30,000

10. My institution encourages involvement in professional organizations:

- yes
- no

11. I receive institutional support for my involvement in professional organizations:

____yes ____no

12. I am required in my job description to participate in professional organizations:

____yes ____no

13. Averaged for the last 5 years, the amount of time per year that I have spent working on professional organization projects is:

____less than 10 hours per year ____51-75 hours per year
____11-25 hours per year ____76-100 hours per year
____26-50 hours per year ____more than 100 hours per year

14. I attend meetings at least once every two years for the following organizations:

PNC/MLA ____yes ____no

MLA ____yes ____no

Other regional or national prof assns ____yes ____no
if yes, please list _____

Statewide or local consortium ____yes ____no
if yes, please list _____

15. How important are the following in helping you to do your job:

(1=not important; 5=very important)

Collegial networking	1	2	3	4	5
Continuing education	1	2	3	4	5
Vendor or product info	1	2	3	4	5
Political lobbying	1	2	3	4	5
Collective vendor contracts	1	2	3	4	5
Professional Newsletter(s)	1	2	3	4	5
Help with research activities	1	2	3	4	5
Advocacy	1	2	3	4	5
Being Mentored	1	2	3	4	5
Exploring Trends	1	2	3	4	5

Other (Please list, including importance to you):

16. PNC/MLA has helped me in the past with:

(1=not helpful; 5=very helpful; N/A=not applicable)

Collegial networking	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Continuing education	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Vendor or product info	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Political lobbying	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Collective vendor contracts	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Northwest Notes	1	2	3	4	5	N/A

Help with research activities	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Advocacy	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Providing mentors	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Exploring Trends	1	2	3	4	5	N/A

17. The most important and appropriate activities for PNC/MLA and MLA to be involved in are: Rank in order 1-10 (10=most important)

PNC/MLA (regional)	MLA (national)	
_____	_____	Collegial networking
_____	_____	Continuing education
_____	_____	Vendor or product information
_____	_____	Political lobbying
_____	_____	Collective vendor contracts
_____	_____	Producing a newsletter
_____	_____	Help with research activities
_____	_____	Advocacy
_____	_____	Mentoring program
_____	_____	Exploring Trends
_____	_____	Other (please list)

18. How important are PNC/MLA's current goals to you?

(1=not important;5=very important)

Promote excellence and leadership in its members through education	1	2	3	4	5
Promote excellence and leadership in its members through research	1	2	3	4	5
Foster the utilization of information systems and services in support of informed health care decision making	1	2	3	4	5
Foster professionalism within the membership	1	2	3	4	5
The organization continually improves its operations, services, and responsiveness to its members	1	2	3	4	5

19. I envision the following as being important for the survival and/or growth of my library in the next 5 years:

20. In the next 5 years I envision my job changing and PNC can support my changing professional needs in the following ways:

21. I am held back from reaching my professional goals by the following things:

THANK YOU!

Please return this survey in the self-addressed envelope