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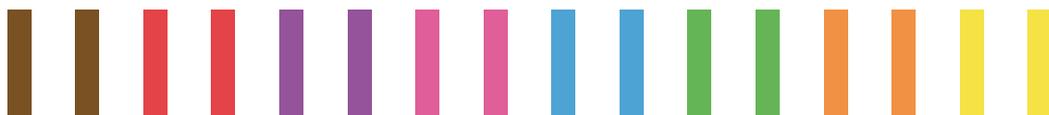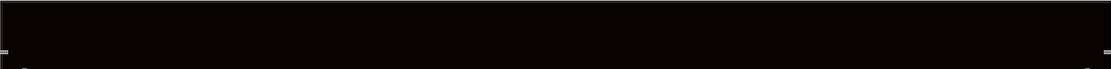
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On behalf of the Medical Library Association (MLA), the 2019 National Program Committee, and the 2019 Local Assistance Committee, we encourage you to make tracks to Chicago from May 3–8, 2019. We are mapping out an exciting and motivating meeting with many stops and destinations.

The Hyatt Regency Chicago delivers the convenience of providing lodging and meeting space under one roof. Being just off the Magnificent Mile, it is also ideally located for sightseeing. Amazing architecture, museums, shopping, and dining are within easy walking distance. And Chicago's seventy-seven neighborhoods, each distinct and full of personality, are all easily accessible via the trains of the Loop.

The theme of the meeting, "Elevate," is derived from Chicago's iconic elevated transit system (the "L" or "El"). The "L" is one of the oldest, most extensive rapid transit systems in the country and was voted one of the seven wonders of Chicago. We hope that, like the "L," MLA '19 will elevate the profession and deliver you to the destination you seek, be it learning, service, partnership, fun, or friendship.

Whether you get to Chicago on an airplane, on a sailboat, or by train or bus; whether you take the Pink Line, the Blue Line, or Brown Line, just get here. We look forward to transporting you just a little further with our inspiring program.

MLA MEDICAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

The 2019 National Program Committee invites you to attend MLA '19, the 119th MLA Annual Meeting, the premier destination for medical librarians and other health information professionals. Reenergize yourself and present your ideas, while deepening your understanding of new innovations and opportunities in health sciences librarianship. There is no limit to what you can share and learn, including:

- Information Services
- Information Management
- Instruction & Instructional Design
- Leadership & Management
- Evidence-Based Practice & Research
- Health Information Professionalism
- Latest trends in technology
- Best practices in service
- Ways to enhance intellectual growth
- New, innovative resources for efficiency and cost savings

MLA '19 will be a 4-and-1/2 day interdisciplinary educational experience, with a 3-day commercial exhibition that attracts more than 100 exhibitors from around the world. Meeting highlights will include the John P. McGovern Award Lecture, over 100 peer-reviewed papers, 30 lightning talks, 8 special content sessions, and over 200 posters.

Call for Submissions

The 2019 National Program Committee invites submissions for papers, posters, lightning talks, and special content sessions that will Elevate the profession and advance the knowledge and skills of attendees.

Here's how:
- Submit your structured abstract with a description of a research project or program in August 2018, using the guidelines on MLANET (www.mlanet. org/page/structured-abstract).
- Rank your presentation preference for paper, poster, or lightning talk. Abstracts that are not accepted for the first choice receive consideration for second and third choices.
- Groups (sections, chapters, special interest groups, and others) can submit proposals for engaging one-and-a-half-hour special content sessions (for example, invited speakers or panel presentations) in October 2018.
- The MLA Research Section awards individuals with the best research-based papers and posters.

More information:
- Papers, special content sessions, posters, and lightning talks: www. mlanet.org/mla19_contributed_ content
- MLA FAQ: Special Content Sessions: www.mlanet.org/mla19_content_faq
- Previous MLA Research Award winners: www.mlanet.org/research_ award_winners

Questions:
Contact the Contributed Content Planning Group (2019ccwg@gmail.com).

Contributed Content Planning Group

- **Papers and special content sessions:** Jamie Conklin, Kathy Kwan, and Hannah Schilperoort
- **Posters:** Carol Seiler and Ahlam Saleh
- **Lightning talks:** Meaghan Muir and Brenda Faye Green, FMLA
- **Special content sessions and tech trends:** Lisa A. Marks, AHIP, and Dan Burgard

2019 Program Planners Meeting

Are you involved in program planning for MLA '19? Do you have questions about how to submit a paper, poster, or special content session? Consider attending the MLA '19 program planners meeting. You will learn the process used to decide program topics or content for MLA '19. You will be encouraged to share what programming ideas your groups have in mind, and your participation will help identify common ideas, establish partnerships, and assist with program coordination.

Saturday, May 19, 2018
3:30 p.m.–4:15 p.m.
Hyatt Regency Atlanta
International Ballroom North (International Tower, Ballroom Level)

Key Dates

2018
- **May:** 2019 Program Planners Meeting, Saturday, May 19, 3:30 p.m.–4:15 p.m., Hyatt Regency Atlanta
- **August:** Submit abstracts for papers, poster, lightning talks, and special content sessions
- **October:** Due date for abstract submissions
- **December:** Notifications of acceptance are sent

2019
- **January:** Online meeting registration opens
- **May 3–8, 2019:** MLA '19 in Chicago, Illinois

Plan to Attend MLA '19

Meeting Dates: May 3–8, 2019

Headquarters hotel and location for meetings and the Hall of Exhibits:
Hyatt Regency Chicago
151 East Wacker Drive
Chicago, IL 60601
chicago.regency.hyatt.com

$219 per night single/double occupancy plus tax; in-room WiFi included

Hotel reservations will open May 2018 through MLA's Official Housing Partner:
OnPeak
www.mlanet.org/mla19