



HSPnet-NS Winter 2016 Newsletter



Nova Scotia Peer Support Sessions

2015's User Group meeting was held on June 17th at Health Association Nova Scotia. It was a successful and enjoyable day with a nice blend of information sharing and networking. Theresa Roberts from the HSPnet team was on hand in the morning to share the latest updates from the National perspective and to highlight many of the new enhancements. A networking lunch was served and time was taken to allow discussions and problem solving amongst the attendees. From the comments during the session as well as the evaluation, users from across the province indicated their interest in additional sessions where you can interact with your peers to share your knowledge and experience working with HSPnet.

From these comments, a subcommittee of the HSPnet-NS Management Committee was formed in order to brainstorm effective methods of how this goal can be achieved on a provincial level while keeping costs contained. The subcommittee came up with a recommendation to the Management Committee which included the following:

- 1) Using Webex as the technology, schedule separate sessions for both Receiving and Placing agencies. To maximise participation, we need to determine the most effective time to schedule these sessions. **Please note that these sessions will only be successful with engaged and positive participation.** Each session will be led by a volunteer who will help create the outline of the session and who is able to answer questions as they arise. Due to privacy concerns regarding organisational and student information, each participant will follow along on their own computer using their own information. The lead will provide guidance where necessary.
- 2) Once both sessions (Receiving and Placing) have been completed, there will be an additional session scheduled with both groups which will be led by an HSPnet trainer. This session will be held via Webex and the trainer will be provided topics which had arisen during the Receiving and Placing sessions. Participants can follow the trainer using Webex as they demonstrate using the training database.



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In order to accomplish this please fill in your availability at the appropriate “Doodle Poll” **by February 12th, 2016**. These results will be tabulated so we can establish the best times—an additional poll may then be sent out to find the exact date. **Only those who participate in the Doodle poll will be contacted as I don’t want to inundate you with messages if you are not interested.**

Please click the *appropriate* link below (or cut and paste into your browser)

Receiving Coordinators (can include Destination Coordinators) ... <http://doodle.com/poll/2e8kz9k2852vd4gg>

Placing Coordinators..... <http://doodle.com/poll/7yymb69p3zver8ip>

Webinars

Webinar Refreshers for Placing and Receiving Coordinators are approximately 2 hours in length and accessible from your computer once connected to the internet. The Audio portion is via phone or using your computer audio, which requires a microphone and speakers (please check prior to the start time). The following webcasts are upcoming:

February 17, 2016	Placing and Receiving Coordinators	Generating Correspondence
February 26, 2016	Placing and Receiving Coordinators	Generating Reports in HSPnet
March 8, 2016	Placing Coordinators	Using HSPnet to track Student Prerequisites
March 9, 2016	Receiving Coordinators	Updating/Entering Capacity Profiles

Keep checking the provincial page at <https://hspnetb.bcit.ca/HSPnetNS/default.aspx> for the latest information and to register.

Classroom

We are pleased to offer the following training sessions in Halifax:

March 2, 2016	9:00 - 4:00	Placing Coordinators	EProg 1AB
March 3, 2016	9:00 - 4:00	Receiving Coordinators	ESite 1AB



Please contact training@hspcanada.net to register for any of the following courses or request a course that is not listed:

Comments or questions, please feel free to email me at chuck.mcdow@healthassociation.ns.ca

