

MedBiquitous



COMMUNITY CONNECTION

MedBiquitous | Building a Community, Cultivating a Process, Sustaining a Collection

January 2021

The *MedBiquitous® Community Connection* newsletter shares ongoing activities for community members and features updates, as well as a list of future engagements. For more information about MedBiquitous, please visit medbiq.org/about_us.

Welcome to the 2021 MedBiquitous Governance Team!

We would like to thank the following individuals for volunteering their time and talents to lead the MedBiquitous community.

The **MedBiquitous Steering Committee** is responsible for evaluating project proposals, selecting the projects to be undertaken by the Program, and determining whether the projects are appropriate for development as an American National Standard. The Steering Committee is thus charged with implementing the strategic direction given to the Program by the Director and the Participants by selecting projects consistent with those strategic goals.

- Deborah Burgess, Immediate Past Chair, The Salus Group
- Gabrielle Campbell, AAMC
- Ian Graham, Djerriwarrh Health Services
- Ted Hanss, Yale University
- Scott Helf, ProgressIQ
- Tao Le, ScholarRx
- Rosalyn Scott, Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science
- Joan Stanley, American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN)
- Marc Triola, Chair Elect, New York University, Langone Health
- Marisa Wilson, University of Alabama at Birmingham
- Luke Woodham, Chair, St. George's, University of London
- Nabil Zary, Mohammed Bin Rashid University Of Medicine and Health Sciences

The **MedBiquitous Technical Advisory Group (TAG)** is responsible for maintaining the integrity of the collection of MedBiquitous standards. We are currently recruiting for members of TAG.

- Prasad Chodavarapu, Editor, American Board of Family Medicine
- James Fiore, Chair, Independent Participant
- Scott Kroyer, Ascend Learning
- Adekunle Mumuni, New Innovations, Inc.
- Mark Trenchard, Emory University

The **MedBiquitous Research and Alignment Group (RAG)** is responsible for maintaining harmonization and alignment of the MedBiquitous standards with other standards, as well as investigating new opportunities for MedBiquitous, including emerging and forthcoming technologies. We are currently recruiting for members of RAG.

- Sascha Cohen, Co-chair, University of California, San Francisco
- Terence Ma, Co-chair, Independent Participant

Relaunch of MedBiquitous Working Groups

In February, MedBiquitous plans to relaunch its working groups. Reconvened working groups will focus on the reactivation of the full collection of [MedBiquitous data standards](#).

When organizations work in conjunction with data standards, this interoperability benefits educators, learners, administrators and technical teams alike. The development, adoption, and implementation of data standards allow institutions to share data with more flexibility, agility, and consistency - eliminating the need to develop a unique process for each new transaction. The recognized and replicable processes provided by MedBiquitous standards can improve overall data quality, enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of data collection and sharing, and support better decision-making and policy implementation across the international health professions education landscape.

If you are interested in participating in a working group, please email medbiq@aamc.org.

ANSI Accreditation Update

We are pleased to announce that MedBiquitous has earned accreditation by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), an internationally recognized endorsement.

ANSI assesses the quality and processes of standards development organizations. Prior to transitioning to the AAMC, MedBiquitous LLC was ANSI accredited and nine of the current 13 MedBiquitous standards were ANSI approved.

During visioning and listening sessions, our community members voiced the importance of seeking ANSI accreditation, now as a program under the AAMC. Our information technology colleagues in particular expressed the value of ANSI accreditation in the earnest consideration and commitment to data standards and standards work. In August 2020, we submitted our application for membership and accreditation. In January 2021, we were informed of the acceptance of our application.

With this major milestone achieved, MedBiquitous continues to position itself as a critical component in the infrastructure supporting health professions education globally. All future and revised MedBiquitous standards will now be eligible for ANSI approval.

Participation – Prorated Fee Schedule

As of January 1, 2021, the MedBiquitous fee schedule has been prorated by 50% for the remainder of FY2021.

July 1, 2020 – Dec 31, 2020	Full amount for fee tier
Jan 1, 2021 – June 30, 2021	Half amount for fee tier

FY 2021 Prorated Fee Schedule

AAMC Members (Medical Schools, Teaching Hospitals, CFAS Societies) and All Health Professions Education Institutions and Training Programs	\$0
Non-profit Organizations	\$750
For-profit Organizations	\$1,500

Overall, the fees for this introductory year are discounted in celebration of the relaunch of MedBiquitous as an AAMC program and in recognition of the economic times in which we currently find ourselves.

Future fees are subject to change. FY2022 (starting July 1, 2021) fee and proration schedule will be announced in advance of the next fiscal cycle.

MedBiquitous Community Connection – 2021 Webinar Season

Next month we launch the MedBiquitous Community Connection 2021 webinar season. The February webinar will be the first in our MedBiquitous Luminaries collection. Stay tuned for more information and registration in the coming weeks.

For more information on our past webinars, please visit <https://www.medbiq.org/mediapublications>

MedBiquitous Community Connection Webinar Recordings

The catalog of recorded presentations from the entire 2020 season is available [here](#). Viewing the *MedBiquitous Community Connection* webinar recordings is free, but registration is required. Please use your primary AAMC account login and password to access the content.

Interested in presenting a webinar topic for *MedBiquitous Community Connection*? Proposals may be sent to medbiq@aamc.org with the following details:

- Title of presentation
- Speaker(s) name, title, and institution
- 2-3 learning objectives and/or goals for webinar attendees
- Short description of presentation (200 words or less)
- Short description of speaker(s) background (200 words or less)

Call for Proposals Now Open! 2021 Information Technology in Academic

Medicine Conference

The 2021 Information Technology in Academic Medicine Conference, sponsored by the Group on Information Resources (GIR), is scheduled for June 2-4, 2021.

The Spring Meeting Planning Committee is soliciting proposals for breakout sessions, digital demonstrations, podium presentations, and posters for this virtual conference. The submission deadline is Feb. 12, 11:59pm PST.

For more information about each of these types of sessions and the opportunity to submit a proposal, please click [here](#). For detailed instructions on submitting your proposal in the form of a printable PDF click [here](#).

Registration information for this virtual conference will be available in April.

Questions:

Program: [Heather Sacks](#) and [Katie Beale](#)

Logistics: [Vanessa Belsito](#)

Participate in the *MedBiquitous ThinkTank*

The *MedBiquitous ThinkTank* is our forum on the AAMC virtual community platform. We will use this space for discussions related to our community activities, like webinars, and our standards development efforts.

Your voice is vital in the data standards community and needs to be heard. What are some education technology challenges you are trying to solve, and how can MedBiquitous help? Your ideas might spark a new project!

If you would like to join the *MedBiquitous ThinkTank*, email medbiq@aamc.org with the below information:

- First name
 - Last name
 - Email address
 - Professional title
 - Institution name
 - Institution address
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Please be safe and healthy.

Best regards,
Johmarx Patton, MD

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