

NRSP1/NIMSS Redesign Team Call Notes

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1 pm ET

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Link to NIMSS Redesign Team Files:

<https://uwmadison.box.com/s/hjklci1yotnl1lcwpo7x>

Link to NRSP1 documents (call notes, Impact Reporting Updates):

<https://uwmadison.box.com/s/p62wzi5t9tnnfclu0l0m48m5nlsxisch>

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Action Items:

1. April 13, 2015 NRSP1 call minutes were approved and are available online at the NRSP1 documents link listed above.
2. We request that the Southern region please identify another representative to the NIMSS Redesign Team.
3. Ellen Yates from the Western region will likely join the NIMSS Redesign Team. Sarah Lupis will send Ellen's contact information to Chris next week. (Ellen accepted and Chris has added her to the NIMSS Redesign email list)

4. Chris Hamilton will send out a Doodle survey for scheduling the next quarterly NRSP1 call, likely for mid-October. Please complete that survey as soon as you can.

Call Minutes:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of 4/13/2015 Call Minutes - Approved
3. NIMSS redesign update - Jason Eichelberger, Clemson ITT
 - a. All NIMSS functions have been recreated in the new environment, wrapping up the annual report/SAES-422 today
 - b. Migration of existing data into new system:
 - i. There are significant issues with old data – it is in an Oracle format and required major structural changes and modern optimizations. Because of this, Clemson ITT needed to build a work-around to convert the old data to fit the new NIMSS. This took time and was not originally expected, but ITT is still on track with their timeline. Because of the old data problems, it's possible there could be issues, but Clemson ITT will be able to re-map the data easily, as needed.
 - ii. When the time comes to move all existing data from the legacy system to the new NIMSS, Clemson ITT now expects to be able to complete the transfer in about 4-6 hours (overnight) to ensure minimal downtime.
 - c. Beta Testing:
 - i. Clemson ITT hopes to be able to plug the existing database, perhaps from two weeks ago, into the new NIMSS and have a public beta testing system out by the end of July. Although we currently haven't discussed beta testing processes and feedback, Jason foresees that we will use existing, pre-defined systems that they have used before. These involve online, community-based forums where testers can post issues, comments, etc. A similar forum will be available in the new NIMSS for users to communicate with programmers, if needed, and also to get help and tips from other NIMSS users and regional system admins.
 - ii. FYI: All users will have to reset NIMSS passwords when they log in, due to the incompatibility of the outdated cryptology used in the old system.
 - d. Still left to do: Clemson ITT needs to work on the REEport web service. NIFA uses this service to grab data from NIMSS to pull into REEport and Clemson ITT will provide them with a service that should mimic the existing NIMSS web service. The data they pull out of the new NIMSS will look the same as it did with the old NIMSS. These data sets (in xml format) are simple and Clemson ITT doesn't foresee any issues with this process. Jason has been in communication with NIFA's IT and is getting all the information he needs for now. They will also need to do some testing, once the web service is up and running.
 - e. New NIMSS FYI: The new NIMSS was built with PHP (an HTML embedded scripting language) on the server side, on top of a Larabel framework; the database is in an SQL (Structured Query Language) format, but can be switched if needed; and the User

- Interface (UI) using HTML, CSS and JQuery, with the Bootstrap UI framework for most of the structural layout, as well.
- f. Overall, everything going well and on-time from Clemson's side.
4. National impacts quarterly update - Sara Delheimer (See full report here:
<https://uwmadison.box.com/s/whjx02nulpy55ymh16pv84j0vd3a8r89>)
 5. Other business:
 - a. Sarah Lupis talked about her and Chris Hamilton's NIMSS talk at NERAOC 2015. They plan on doing more of these for training and also as a way to collect feedback and improvement ideas from users.
 - b. We need an S region NIMSS redesign member still.
 - c. Ellen Yates for W region will likely serve; Sarah will send Chris Ellen's contact information next week.
 6. Scheduling the next calls:
 - a. NIMSS Redesign Team call, August 10 at 10 am CT
 - b. NRSP1 – Mid October? Chris will send Doodle survey for scheduling; please respond as soon as you can.

Call adjourned at 12:39 pm, CT.