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# CELEBRATING 10 YEARS of BioMISS:

## a Case Study and Observations About a Successful Biomedical Informatics Seminar Series

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## OBJECTIVES

- Describe the experience of organizing and hosting a Biomedical Informatics Seminar Series (BioMISS)
- Identify key factors associated with success
- Share with colleagues interested in offering a similar activity

## BioMISS

- a CME-accredited
- bimonthly program of 1-hour invited presentations
- with active participant discussion
- on current topics in biomedical informatics

Goals of BioMISS are to provide:

- a broad overview of salient topics in the field of Biomedical Informatics
- a forum that fosters interdisciplinary cross-collaboration for research
- a forum for Biomedical Informatics fellows, HSC faculty and others to present biomedical Informatics-related research

## METHODS

Quantitative and qualitative analysis of:

- data collected from 9 years about
- presenters, topics, participants' evaluations

## ANALYSIS/RESULTS

- 77 speakers
- 128 sessions
- 1891 total attendees

Attendees per session



Popular sessions (Year/# Attendees):

- HIPAA Regulations for Clinical Database Research (2009/38)
- NM Legislative Issues Related to Health Information Exchange (2010/30)
- Computerized Physician Order Entry (2009/26)
- Clinical Applications of NMHIC (2013/23)
- Digital Data Stewardship (2011/21)

Evaluations:

## WHAT WORKS

- Regular schedule (9-10 am, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays , academic year)
- Seminar format (12-18 people on average)
- Time for discussion (suggest presentation <40 minutes)
- CME credit available
- Publicity
  - Brochure
  - Announcements - HSC e-mail, HSLIC website



## CONCLUSION

A health sciences library can be the nidus for a vibrant and sustaining seminar series in biomedical informatics that successfully draws in a diverse and interdisciplinary group of presenters and participants.