

Consortial Delivery Data Working Group Charge

Membership

- Appointed by the Consortia Committee chairperson for the entire period of the working group
- One staff member from each RAILS Local Library System Automation Program (LLSAP) with oversight or expertise in reporting functions
- The RAILS Associate Executive Director, Delivery and Facilities Director, and Data Analysis Manager are ex officio members

Charge

- Develop and recommend strategies for shared catalog consortia to collect and report standardized transit data from their report platforms that align with RAILS Delivery data collection needs
- Investigate challenges that will impact the quality of the data reported such as identifying items not captured and accounting for varying practices across libraries and consortia
- Identify solutions to standardize and analyze transit data across multiple catalog software platforms including definition creation, establishing common data fields, and creating data validation guidelines
- Recommend frameworks for consortia to sustainably submit data on a recurring basis
- Identify key metrics that will be needed to assess the effectiveness of the data collection and reporting
- Outline approaches for incorporating standalone libraries into delivery data collection and reporting

Time Period

The Consortial Delivery Data Working Group is expected to make its recommendations to the Consortia Committee no later than one year after its first meeting.