

Indiana AMWA Newsletter

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RECENT EVENTS

Dec 17: Chapter Holiday Dinner

Despite the wintry weather, a group of Indiana AMWA members and guests were able to break bread together and chat all things medical writing at Maggiano's Little Italy.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 28: Virtual Chapter Educational Event

Join us for an FDA webinar titled “**Medical Device Regulation**” by Jonette Foy, PhD. on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 from 8:30 – 9:00 pm.

[RSVP and access information via Evite](#)

April 3-4: Indiana Chapter Spring Conference

Save the date for our chapter spring conference in Indianapolis at the **Ruth Lilly Learning Center April 3-4**. More information to come!

Want to help influence what will be included in the conference? Volunteering to help plan our chapter conference is a great opportunity to get involved in your AMWA chapter. Last year, our committee of 8 planned a well-attended 3-day conference in Indianapolis, and several of the committee members were serving for the first time – so don't be afraid to jump in and try something new!

Interested? Please contact our chapter president, Leslie Hodge, at president@hoosieramwa.org



MAXIMIZE YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Start your year out right: update your profile on AMWA

The beginning of the year is a great time to update your profile on AMWA:
<https://info.amwa.org/amwa-profile-update>

The form is quick and easy to complete, and your answers help AMWA build education and resources to help our members succeed. In addition, by knowing your unique answers, AMWA can deliver content specific to your work setting and areas of focus.

Free On-Demand Webinar for January

This month's complimentary recorded webinar for AMWA members is [Sharing Clear Research Results with Patients](#).

This webinar presents ways to communicate the Return of Results (ROR) to trial participants and the Public from academic and industry sponsors. Information applies to medical writers and those in clinical research operations, management and regulatory affairs. Discussion points include

- Reasons why trial participants value ROR from clinical trials
- Considerations when setting up an ROR process
- Review of regulatory rules and recent guidance related to communicating trial results to study participants

Access this webinar in [AMWA Online Learning](#) before the end of the month.

Read the Winter 2019 Issue of the AMWA Journal

The Winter 2019 AMWA Journal, [Volume 34 Number 4](#), is now available to AMWA members online.

This issue features research articles on artificial intelligence, abbreviation usage, and Plan S, and includes additional results from the AMWA 2019 Medical Communication Compensation Report.

The issue also includes new installments in the Science Series, Freelance Forum, Everyday Ethics, In the Service of Good Writing, and Regulatory Insights columns, including an article on the "universe of confusion" that is medical device labeling.



Free Pocket Trainings in AMWA Education

Do you know about [Pocket Trainings](#) available free to AMWA members? Here are just a few of the pocket trainings that are complementary with your AMWA membership.

- [Mind Your Own Business with a Year-End Review](#): You must understand what your business has achieved during the past year in order to plan for the future. This Pocket Training helps you review your earnings, clients, project mix, and marketing efforts with good record-keeping and some simple tables and graphs.
- [Editing Text and Reviewing Comments in Adobe Acrobat](#): Learn to accurately and efficiently edit text and review comments in an Adobe Portable Document File (PDF). This Pocket Training provides an overview of all the Text Edits tools available in Adobe Acrobat as well as provides options for evaluating comments from reviewers.
- [Writing for Medical, Regulatory, and Legal \(MRL\) Review](#): MRL review is a process used by pharmaceutical and biotech companies to ensure adherence to medical, regulatory, and legal guidelines. This Pocket Training will help you to learn what it takes to write for MRL review by providing you with key information to navigate MRL and achieve the writing skills needed for success.

CONNECT WITH INDIANA AMWA

Let us know what we can do to help you benefit professionally from your AMWA membership. Join our LinkedIn group, [AMWA Indiana Chapter](#), come to the chapter events, or talk to a chapter officer or committee chair to join the conversation about medical communication and our chapter.