

M25/LHL

(London Health Libraries)

Working Group

Walking
on shifting sands
(with sticks!)

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Remit

- ◆ Local
- ◆ National Overview
- ◆ A senior representative from the 5 London SHA (Strategic Health Authorities)
- ◆ A senior representative from HEI libraries with Health Service students within each of the 5.
- ◆ Share and disseminate information
- ◆ A focus on placement students

History

- ◆ Evolved from pre M25 group
- ◆ Group have remained quite stable in membership (little changes)
- ◆ Sub group created to investigate collaborative procurement for HE & NHS Libraries
- ◆ Regular presentations given by relevant Health Services

Achievements

- ◆ Students on placement, access to other HEI libraries from 10 – 6wks (2004)
(through UK Libraries Plus scheme)
- ◆ Pan London Charter – an amalgamation of several SHA/HE charters (2006)
- ◆ Mutual support and understanding on both sides
- ◆ Survey on interest in collaborative Health Science e-resource needs (2005)

Future aims

- ◆ Better links between NHS & HEI
Library staff – Lost or non-returned items
- ◆ Collection Listing & Development
- ◆ Review of Information Literacy
- ◆ Reciprocal & joint training
- ◆ Joint Procurement of E-resources

Questions?

