



ISWP Training Working Group

April 26, 2017 Meeting Recap

The ISWP Training Working Group met by conference call on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 from 9:30 am to 10:40 am U. S. Eastern Time. This provides a recap.

Meeting Recording Link: <https://iswp.adobeconnect.com/p5nvnykcg9v>

Next Meeting: May 24, 2017, 9:30 a.m. U.S. Eastern Time (13:00 UTC/GMT Time)

Action Items

1. Krithika to provide wireframes to the Training Working Group for feedback.
2. Working group members to identify test takers for basic test translation validation.

Discussion

1. **Previous Minutes:** Minutes of March 22, 2017 call were approved. One action item was to select a preferred meeting time for the monthly calls; working group members agreed to meet at 9:30 a.m. U.S. Eastern Time (13:00 UTC/GMT Time).
2. **WIN Prototype:** Michele Harshaw and Joel Reed of Open Arc, a software development company, presented selected wireframes for the Wheelchair Training International Network (WIN). WIN is an online platform which will support coordinated training efforts around the world so that wheelchair sector stakeholders (service providers, trainer, trainee) can make informed decisions about where to host, attend or advocate for training in a particular region. WIN also will include a learning management system which will house tests (i.e., all the basic and intermediate test contents) and training materials (i.e., hybrid and other resources). We expect to launch WIN at the end of June this year. Presentation of the wireframes represent the work in progress; what is being presented is to showcase the workflow; final terminology used might be different as we are still working on the application.

Wireframes presented were built around smartphones, but the application also will work on computers and tablets.

Krithika to provide wireframes to the Training Working Group. Working Group members are encouraged to provide feedback; ISWP is developing the application so it can be useful to the sector.

3. Subcommittee Updates

- a. *Testing (Dietlind Gretschel):* Intermediate knowledge test: The Intermediate knowledge test is complete. All changes have been made following review, and final questions have





been uploaded to test.com. Test also has been translated to Spanish and uploaded to test.com.

Intermediate skills test: Skills materials also have been translated into Spanish; invitations have been sent to individuals to take the Intermediate knowledge test (in English and Spanish) and submit case studies. To date, 4 individuals submitted 8 case studies to be moderated. Four (4) volunteers are moderating the case studies: Elsie Scheffler, Sue Fry, Jamie Noon and Dietlind Gretschel. As more case studies come in, moderators will continue to update the rubric to the point where it is finalized. However, they would like to moderate more case studies first.

Basic test is currently available in 7 languages: English, Spanish, French, Romanian, Urdu, Portuguese and Arabic. Russian, Mandarin and Khmer translations have been completed and are being validated. Vietnamese, Albanian and Lao are in development. MSH is working on the Hindi translation. 30 people per language are needed to validate the test translation.

Lee Kirby indicated since the testing is based on the WHO-WSTP packages, there are other training materials available. He wondered the extent to which the Testing Subcommittee would consider adding other tests for materials which are evidence-based. Krithika explained that part of credential project is to review the Basic test and add questions; however, due to time constraints, the review was very basic. A more robust review of the Basic test is included in the ISWP strategic plan. Also, WIN is being designed to allow individual training organizations to have their own training materials on the site and on develop their own tests for those training materials.

Merger of Mentoring and Testing Subcommittee: Alex Miles will report.

- b. *Integration (Paula Rushton, Nicky Seymour):* Krithika provided an update in Paula and Nicky's absence. The last subcommittee call was on April 12, which included former Hybrid Subcommittee members. Yohali Burrola gave an update on progress of Hybrid. Lee Kirby gave an update on future Hybrid activities.

Subcommittee discussed the action plan developed following the February 7, 2017 meeting in Geneva with WFOT, WCPT, ISPRM and ISPO. Once organizations agree to the plan and timeline, the document will be shared with the Training Working Group. The subcommittee also will draft a joint position paper for other organizations' input and approval.

Next subcommittee call is on May 3. Yohali Burrola will discuss results of Hybrid pilot in India which was presented at ISS, Nashville in March.

Lee explained the committees haven't merged, but the Hybrid activities have been



integrated into the larger Integration group.

- c. **Mentoring (Alex Miles):** The subcommittee has 4 new members. Alex explained that the goal of merging the Testing and Mentoring Subcommittees is to gain broader feedback and to help more people pass the case studies portion of the Intermediate test. The objectives of both subcommittees are similar; thus, the merger was suggested. Dietlind, Sue and Elsjé drafted mentoring protocol which will be shared with the Training Working Group on the next call. Training Working Group members on the call had no objections to the merger.
- 4. **ISWP Update (Nancy Augustine):** The policy toolkit draft, developed by the Advocacy Working Group, will be presented at the ISPO May 2017 conference. In the Evidence-based Practice Working Group, the minimum uniform data set questionnaire, question guide and Excel workbook for recording responses has been finalized. Karen Rispin will be testing the questionnaire in Kenya in May. Training Working Group members received the short version of the questionnaire and materials; a longer version with additional questions also is available. Working Group members are invited to use the tools, as well, and provide feedback. Data collection on wheelchair needs will begin soon in Kenya; the information also is being collected in Philippines and Romania as part of the ISWP affiliate pilot project. The Standards Working Group is almost finished with a Design Considerations document. Testing on casters, rolling resistance and corrosion continue although may slow in the summer since tests are being conducted at University of Pittsburgh and LeTourneau University. The Membership Working Group met in March to provide input on the ISWP strategic plan sustainability section. The ISWP Advisory Board will meet on Thursday, April 27, to approve the ISWP strategic plan, 2017-2021.
- 5. **Wheelchair Service Provider Credential (Krithika):** ISWP staff heard Training Working Group members' questions and concerns about the credential. There is general agreement about a credential, which is included in the strategic plan, and the pilot will give good insight. ISWP recruited 40 trainees for the pilot (20 US and 20 International), which will begin on May 8th. The pilot is open to anyone interested in participate, and Training Working Group members are invited. Results of the pilot will be shared with the Training Working Group.
- 6. **TCA:** Training Competency Assessment (TCA) is finalized; a copy was sent to the Training Working Group with the April 26 call agenda and is available on the ISWP website resources page: <http://wheelchairnet.org/iswp-library>. Completed TCAs should be sent to Krithika Kandavel.

Participants (check mark indicates participation on call)

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