In spring 2013, SOHLIN established a new Professional Development Grant that is open to members for whom local institutional funding is not available. Priority will be given to those involved in the provision of professional development content. The grant can be used to subsidize travel and accommodation costs as well as registration fees. The main reason for establishing such a grant was lack of funding from many local institutions due to recent budget cuts.

The maximum amount of a SOHLIN Professional Development Grant for each applicant is $300. The total budget available for each fiscal year will be set by the Executive annually prior to the fall meeting. The maximum amount available annually will be no more than $600. The Terms of Reference, eligibility criteria and application process is available upon request.

In November 2012, during SOHLIN’s fall business meeting, the following two CE sessions were held: “Copyright & Librarians II” presented via Skype by Dr. Michael McNally, University of Alberta; and “Knowledge Management in Health Care Organizations” presented by Dr. Shannon L. Sibbald, University of Western Ontario.

In April 2013, during SOHLIN’s spring business meeting, the following two CE sessions were held: “Mobile Resources for Health Libraries” presented via Skype by Jill Boruff, McGill University; and “Googleing the Greys: Tips on using Google to track down quality grey literature” presented by Sarah Bonata, Health Sciences Librarian, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Toronto.

The brand new SOHLIN website is available at http://www.chla-absc.ca/sohlin/.

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