IUCRC Evaluation Project Update

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Overview

• Evaluator Duties
• What’s new for the LIFE website
• Overview of Changes to the evaluation protocol
• Recommendations from Economic Impact Assessment
  – Proposed Changes to Process/Outcome (now)
  – New Protocol for Collecting Economic Impact Data (Friday am)
Reminders about responsibilities

Required Activities

1) Attend semi-annual evaluators' meetings (typically in January and June);
2) Attend semi-annual Industrial Advisory Board meetings
3) Prepare an "Evaluator's Report" when a new center is born and provide an annual narrative summary of significant Center developments for submission to NCSU and your Center Director;
   a. Include Evaluator Report Face Sheet
4) Complete Semi-Annual Meeting Best Practice Checklist at each IAB meeting and attach to Annual Evaluator's Report for each I/UCRC.
5) Administer "process/outcome" questionnaires to faculty, and Industrial Advisory Board Members annually;
6) Prepare an annual report based on the process/outcome questionnaire data for your Center and submit to your Center Director;
7) Forward process outcome questionnaire data to the evaluation team at NCSU;
8) Provide information and feedback to NSF; and
9) Provide information and feedback to your Center Director.
What’s new for LIFE website

• LIFE website code transferred from UCF to NCSU – fall, 2011

• Transition from UCF to NCSU completed, including porting all old identification information and meeting data – January, 2012

• New easy to remember link created: www.iucrc.com

• Changes and enhanced functionality being implement…
Implemented and Planned LIFE Upgrades

• Changes and Upgrades implemented – Summer, 2012
  – Change PW and retrieve PW functions for administrator
  – Created an option for linking the “Process/Outcome Questionnaire”
    • Link to online P/O will appear as the last link on the meeting
  – Respondent only has to sign in once

• Changes ready for deployment
  – Comments: Comment, Question, Suggestion
    • Produces presorted summary
  – Optional meeting summary: produce spreadsheet version of feedback that can be manipulated

• Coming soon
  – Optional format: PI has ability to provide responses to specific comments made by the project reviewers
    • Summary page will show comments and responses
    • Need to address PW and confidentiality issues
New LIFE Demo

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# Changes in evaluation protocol

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Recommendations from Economic Impact Feasibility Study

1. Continue the existing IUCRC evaluation effort but modify the responsibilities of on-site evaluators to include collection of economic impact data.

2. Modify the Process/Outcome Questionnaire to emphasize relatively proximate quantitative economic impacts. (now)

3. Develop a standardized protocol and training system that facilitates collection of economic impact data by local evaluators. (tomorrow)

4. Develop a simple and compelling methodology for reporting the impact data to important stakeholder groups.

5. Link the revised assessment activities with the efforts to periodically collect “technology breakthrough” cases.