Data Dictionary Implementation: Lessons Learned from RMLS

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RMLS™ Environment

- In-house IT/Programming
- MS SQL Server

- RETS conversion Oct. 2007
- RETS transition to Bridge Interactive Group in 2010
- All RETS components hosted In House

RETS Environment

- MS SQL Server DB with live data
- SQL Views - 1 per Resource/Class plus support tables
- Configuration - maps SQL views to RETS Resources/Classes
- StdNames - Property - maps System Name to Standard Name
- StdNames - Template - defines report containers for XML Standard Name output

- RESO DD spreadsheet and RMLS™ Metadata Mapping spreadsheet

Lessons Learned

1. Not a committee job
2. Provide background information to person(s) evaluating DD
3. Use 'RID' as a foreign key
4. Work in Steps - Start with Data Definitions
5. Use 'Group' to focus on related fields
6. Maintain cross reference spreadsheets

Questions?

THANK YOU!