

LAA Newsletter

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Updates

We are pleased to announce the Ivy Plus Libraries Confederation (IPLC) joins the Library Accessibility Alliance (LAA) as a partner to advance accessibility for library electronic resources, with the goal of providing equal access to information for all library users. Please read our <u>Press Release</u> for more information.

Evaluations

Visit our <u>Testing page</u> to see newly-added accessibility evaluations based on WCAG 2.1 AA:

- <u>Cambridge Core</u>
- <u>IEEE Xplore</u>
- <u>ScienceDirect</u>

Resources

The Triangle Research Libraries Network (TRLN) E-Resources Management Working Group published a <u>Guide to</u> <u>Negotiating Accessibility in E-Resource Licenses</u> in December 2022 that serves as a reference tool for library staff involved in licensing and e-resources management. This resource includes example language from various model agreements, an explanation of the utility and importance of that language, questions to determine if this language is necessary at your institution or for a particular product type, and how to advocate for this language in conversations with providers.

Upcoming Events

Elyse Girard, Amber Reichert, and Christopher Welte present "Establishing Design Principles to Center Accessibility into Everyday Decisions" Wednesday, February 22 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern. Participants will learn about the concept of design principles and how they can be useful in cultivating intentionally accessible environments. Attendees will come away with tools for beginning these conversations at their own institutions. <u>Registration</u> is free.

Who We Are

The Library Accessibility Alliance (LAA) advocates for improving library e-resource accessibility. We are a multiconsortial organization, with each member organization contributing funding and expertise. Our current members are:

- Big Ten Academic Alliance (BTAA)
- Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL)
- Greater Western Library Alliance (GWLA)
- Washington Research Library Consortium (WRLC)
- Ivy Plus Libraries Confederation (IPLC)

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