Data Dictionaries

Discussion Points

"Rigorous Validation"

- What does this mean, practically?

- Can it be quantified?

- How could it be enforced or verified?

Discipline vs. Project Dictionaries

- What sort of requirements on discipline dictionaries might be only best practices or recommendations for project dictionaries?

- What level of support and integration do we want to provide for active and archived project dictionaries on web sites, dictionary services, etc.?

- What metadata and file set needs to be preserved for an archived project dictionary?

Discipline Dictionaries

- For discipline dictionaries in development now and in the immediate future, is there some semi-formal review process we can institute to help with quality control, testing, etc.?

- Do we need specific delivery requirements phased in quickly for discipline dictionaries - e.g., user documentation, integration into the search interface, at least minimal regression test sets? If so, what and how?

- What critical documentation/support is needed for discipline stewards to work effectively?

Project Dictionaries

- How do we present a project dictionary to the peer reviewers to ensure it does get reviewed?

- What support is needed to present dictionaries to reviewers?

- What additional documentation/support do project dictionary stewards need to work effectively (above what is needed by discipline stewards)?

- Do we need a formal hand-off procedure from project stewardship to archival stewardship of the dictionary by PDS?