

Meeting Subject:	LFI Steering Committee Meeting #9		
Meeting Agenda:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Context Setting • Approach for 9/14 Townhall • Update on Path Forward • Phase 1: Getting into Action • Next Steps 		
Date:	Wednesday, September 14 th	Time:	12:00PM-1:00PM EST
Meeting Purpose:	To share updates on the path forward for the LFI post-September 2022 and discuss next steps that need to be taken to advance the process.		
Meeting Facilitator(s):	Dana O'Donovan (MIbD), Rhonda Evans (MIbD), Bridget Brennan (MIbD), Elisha Desmangles (MIbD), Manan Mehta (MIbD), Jenny Hoang (MIbD)		
Attendees	Lou Erste, Shelley Metzenbaum, Kathy Park, Doug Bauer, Debra Natenshon		

Approach for 9/14 Townhall

- The Monitor Institute by Deloitte (MIbD) team shared the agenda for the 9/14 Townhall. The objective of the townhall is to 1) update the entire LAC on the LFI process and Steering Committee's progress, 2) get the LAC's feedback on the path forward based on what the Steering Committee has learned, and 3) discuss how ambassadors can engage in the path forward for the LFI.

Update on Path Forward

- In the previous Steering Committee meeting, Steering Committee members emphasized the need for ongoing support for the LFI process by an outside facilitator and voiced that it would be challenging for the Steering Committee members to step into a process leadership role given the time and energy that would be required. The MIbD team prepared options for continued facilitation support to share with Mario Morino.
- The MIbD team shared an update from the latest conversation with Mario Morino on the options for continued facilitation support. The takeaways and implications include:
 - Mario has agreed to continue funding the MIbD team through the end of January 2023
 - The MIbD team would continue to support the Steering Committee using a step-down approach, with the expectation that the Steering Committee would take on more leadership in this process as the MIbD team provides lighter support than in Phases 1-3 of the LFI process
 - The MIbD team will be stepping down our support level in phases between October 2022 and January 2023
 - By Thanksgiving, Mario expects there to be a small leadership group that will move the process forward as the MIbD team winds down support; this leadership group does not have to be the full Steering Committee
 - In addition to clarifying the value proposition, it will be important to document the specific operational components of the LAC that would be transitioned to the partner (e.g., databases, IP, etc.)

- A key go/no-go decision is that by January 2023, the Steering Committee will need to have identified a partner organization and/or sufficient transition funding to sustain the community beginning in 2024
- Steering Committee members affirmed the updates coming out of the latest conversation with Mario and expressed gratitude and appreciation for continued support from both Mario and the MIbD team.
- One Steering Committee member asked to clarify the go/no-go decision in January 2023 – specifically whether that go/no-go decision is about having a partner organization identified at that point in time. The MIbD team noted that we could have funder(s) that are willing to provide fiscal sponsorship instead of having a partner organization clearly identified. The January 2023 go/no-go decision is more about whether there seem to be viable options to continue the process.
- Additionally, the expectation from Mario is that there is a commitment (from a partner or funder coalition, or for transition funding) by January 2023 to ensure that there is enough time to transition assets/activities to another entity (e.g., transfer of databases, IP, etc.) by 1/1/2024.
- Another Steering Committee member noted that there is also a light version of the LAC that could be sustained with minimal funds.
- The MIbD team then shared an updated version of the high-level LFI Implementation Plan (post-September 2023). Phase 1 of the LFI implementation plan stretches from mid-September to mid-October 2022 for the purpose of standing up key working groups, developing initial value proposition materials to facilitate partner and funder conversations, determining the process for partner identification, and outlining financial and operational needs based on further analysis of activity and cost data.

Phase 1: Getting into Action

- The MIbD team shared a week-by-week workplan for Phase 1 that outlines the key process steps that need to be completed, the owners of those process steps, and the associated timeframes.
- The MIbD team then shared potential approaches for engaging ambassadors to participate in the Steering Committee or one of the three working groups (value proposition, fundraising, partnership). The MIbD team also raised the question to Steering Committee members of 1) how to balance inclusion in working groups and speed, given the compressed timeline, and 2) what inclusion goals to prioritize regarding the working groups.
 - Steering Committee members mentioned the possibility of doing specific outreach to the outcome equity micro-community to participate in the process as well as prioritizing the involvement of ambassadors who work for nonprofits.
 - The MIbD team also noted that there are some warm leads that came out of initial funder and partner conversations that could be actioned in parallel to the working groups being put into place
- The MIbD team also aligned with the Steering Committee on potential approaches for identifying interested partner organizations.
 - The Steering Committee shared enthusiasm to reframe an RFP process so that it is an open call to the LAC community, rather than an external RFP process (which would be more time and resource intensive).

Next Steps

- Next steps from the meeting were summarized as below:

- The Monitor Institute team will outline the financial and operational needs to transition the LAC
- The Monitor Institute will continue developing workplans for each of the working groups
- The Value Proposition working group will send the Monitor Institute team the draft value proposition document
- The Monitor Institute team will develop a clean copy of the draft value proposition document