The Delaware Valley User Network Meeting – 26 March 2011

The Delaware Valley User Network meeting on March 26th held at BioClinica eClinical Headquarters in Audubon, PA was a success with the group having to close registration, after the first 70 attendees signed-up, due to meeting room requirements. There was a well-rounded agenda with a variety of very timely CDISC topics, ranging from CDASH to Controlled Terminology to SDTM to ADaM to Therapeutic Area standards. Especially hot right now were updates on upcoming releases of the CDASHUG, details on the progress of the SDS Questionnaires (QS) Subteam, the forthcoming ADaM Adverse Events Analysis Dataset (ADAE) standard and the proposed SDTM Draft Standard for Trial Use (DSTU). Presenters include Gary Cunningham, Nate Freimark, Steve Kopko, Jennifer Price and Gail Stoner.

There was an interactive exercise that had all attendees sharing their thoughts and CDISC challenges while trying to come up with CDASH mapping solutions to some thought-provoking CRFs. Posters detailing updates from all of the CDISC working groups were available for review. Gail Stoner, Associate Director, Statistical Programming, Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research & Development, says "We had a great turnout for this year's first Delaware Valley CDISC User Network meeting! It's clear that there is a lot of interest in the standards. Our members are looking for ways to connect with other local professionals who are using CDISC standards. This is a great way to discuss challenges, share experiences, and hear about what's new in the standards community."

One of the highlights of the meeting was an impromptu Q&A session by Frank Newby, CDISC, during which he talked about the current state of the standards and plans for the future of the group.

To get information on upcoming Delaware Valley User Network meetings, please see the CDISC User Network updates here: http://www.cdisc.org/user-network-meetings or send an email to: DV_CDISC_UN-owner@yahoogroups.com?subject=Join DV CDISC UN with your full name and affiliation in the body of the email with the Subject line of: Join DV CDISC UN.