



## **International Liaison Council Reporting Guidelines**

The International Liaison Council consists of a group of NMT Academy Affiliates who have been invited by the Academy Board and the Advisory council to represent the diverse international presence of NMT around the world. The International Liaisons provide the Academy with direct input and updates on the status, developments, and needs from the many different countries where NMT is being practiced. The International Liaison Council is a body that will grow with the growth of NMT, and suggestions for growth are always welcomed by the Academy.

On at least an annual basis, each International Liaison will provide the Academy with information and news related to NMT in their region or country. To assist with efficient distribution, the report can be provided in the following format related to the Academy's mission:

### **I. Disseminate:**

Example:

- Three informational sessions were provided in Buenos Aires, Rosario and Cordoba.
- NMT Support Group provided resources to prospective programs who expressed interest in NMT.

### **II. Advance**

Example:

- Support Groups targeted Parkinson.net organization to promote NMT within their system
- Liaison provided resources to and mentorship to 10 new NMT affiliates who completed training during 2018

### **III. Protect:**

Example:

- Liaison identified harpist misrepresenting her work by calling her services Neurologic Music Therapy and addressed with education and resolved the situation by
  - Drawing attention to misrepresentation through letter sent to harpist and London facility who was retaining her service
  - Providing more appropriate description of harpist's services
  - Provided in-service to facility, resulting in heightened awareness and follow through with funds to secure NMT services



- Liaison provided Advisory Council information on upcoming presentation on NMT that was being provided by music therapist who was no longer an Affiliate in good standing.

Based on the activity in each country or region, liaisons may have additional areas to add that are specific and unique to their region or focus. The report provides the opportunity to celebrate the advancement of NMT as well as being a mechanism through which Academy Affiliates can, on an international scale, share approaches they have used to propagate this advancement with dissemination on information and protecting the NMT model. This cross cultural pollination of ideas and methods will serve to grow and strengthen NMT in an organic way while protecting the integrity of the model and providing a catalyst and inspiration for Academy Affiliates world-wide.