

## SCS Task Group on Provider-Neutral MARC Record Guidelines for Monographic E-Resources in Official RDA

### Background:

The provider-neutral (PN) model was initially designed for use with Anglo-American Cataloging Rules, 2nd edition (AACR2), and was adopted for serials in 2003, for textual monographs in 2009, and for multiple formats in 2011. While cataloging different provider manifestations on a single record contradicts aspects of the Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records (FRBR) conceptual model underlying AACR2's successor standard Resource Description and Access (RDA), the PN model was maintained by the PCC for use with RDA. The separate guidelines were combined into a single document with parallel columns for monographs and for serials/integrating resources, and supplemented with elements from RDA. Since then, several additional changes have been made to the PCC's PN Record Guidelines, and the landscape of electronic resource distribution, access, and cataloging has also evolved. RDA has also been revised to conform to a new conceptual model, the Library Reference Model (FRBR-LRM). In response, the [PCC RDA Implementation Task Group](#) has inquired whether updates are needed to the PN guidelines prior to PCC implementation of Official RDA. This new SCS Task Group on Provider-Neutral MARC Record Guidelines for Monographic E-Resources in Official RDA is being charged to consider monographic e-resources (including e-books, streaming audiovisual content, etc.), in collaboration with the existing [SCS Task Group on CONSER Policies for RDA in MARC](#) who will consider this question with respect to electronic serials and integrating resources (IRs).

### Charge:

- Assess whether the provider-neutral model remains appropriate and useful for cataloging multiple provider versions of a monographic e-resource on a single MARC record under the PCC's implementation of Official RDA
- According to this assessment, either revise the current version of the [PCC Provider Neutral E-Resource MARC Record Guidelines](#) or develop new guidelines for cataloging different provider versions of a monographic e-resource in MARC, to be used under the PCC's implementation of Official RDA; identify related documentation that may need adjusting
- Collaborate and coordinate with the [SCS Task Group on CONSER Policies for RDA in MARC](#) on their assessment and development of parallel or combined provider-neutral guidelines for electronic serials and integrating resources

- Coordinate with the [PCC Working Group on Metadata Application Profiles](#) and the [PCC RDA Implementation Task Group](#) as needed for alignment of documentation and implementation timelines

### **PCC Strategic Directions (2023-):**

The work of this task group supports and aligns with the following PCC strategic directions:

- 2.3. Enable the ongoing effective use of Resource Description and Access (RDA) by a broad community of metadata practitioners with varying levels of experience and training
- 2.3.1. Maintain robust and modular policy statements, metadata guidance documentation and other training materials for use with the Official RDA Toolkit

### **Time Frame:**

Charge approved: May 9, 2024

Preliminary report due: December 31, 2024

Final report due: March 31, 2025

### **Reports to:**

Standing Committee on Standards (SCS)

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**Final Report Transmittal & Tracking Sheet:**

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1aqs9I9zzpFNxzH84eZyf3fvpLH5SCpzt/edit>