Critical Conversations Workshop on OA

Pebble, Rock, Boulder Approach

Welcome to this interactive workshop on OA in health libraries. We'll explore key issues using the Pebble, Rock, Boulder framework to categorize challenges by complexity and impact.

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Workshop Objective

1 Identify OA Issues

Brainstorm OA-related challenges in health libraries.

2 Categorize Complexities

Apply the Pebble, Rock, Boulder approach to issues.

3 Develop Strategies

Create action plans for addressing OA challenges.

4 Foster Collaboration

Share insights and solutions among peers.

Workshop Agenda

1   Introduction (10 min)

Welcome and overview of OA in health libraries.

2   Identifying Issues (15 min)

Brainstorm OA-related challenges in small groups.

3   Categorizing Issues (20 min)

Apply Pebble, Rock, Boulder framework to identified issues.

4   Strategic Discussion (30 min)

Develop strategies and action plans for each category.

5   Group Share and Conclusion (15 min)

Present action plans and provide peer feedback.

Pebble, Rock, Boulder Approach

Pebble

Simple, quick-fix issues that can be addressed immediately with minimal resources.

Rock

More complex challenges requiring coordination, planning, and moderate resources to resolve.

Boulder

Major, long-term issues needing significant resources, strategic planning, and policy changes.

OA in Health Libraries: Overview

Benefits	Challenges
Visibility & Reach	Funding
Collaboration	Quality Control
Public Access & Equitable	Predatory Publishing
Faster Dissemination	Institutional Barriers

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Identifying OA-Related Issues

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Financial Sustainability

Open access journals often require authors to pay article processing charges (APCs) to cover publication costs.

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Quality and Credibility Concerns

Some publications may not adhere to rigorous peer review standards..

Predatory Publishing

The open access model has been exploited by predatory publishers who charge authors APCs without providing proper peer review or editorial services.

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Equitable Access

While open access aims to make research freely available, there are still disparities in how different institutions and regions can access and contribute to open access publishing

Group Categorization Activity

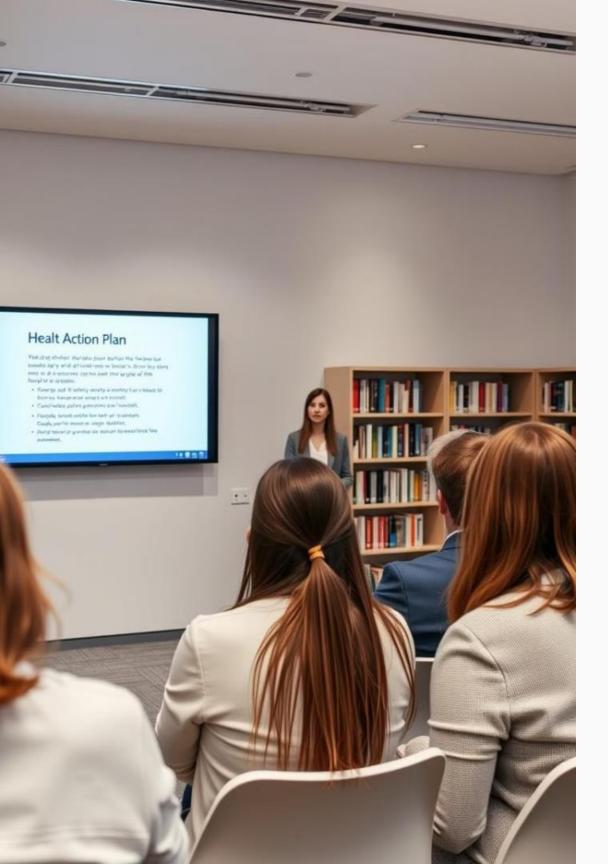| 1	2	3	4
Identify Issues	**Categorize**	**Discuss**	**Refine**
List OA-related challenges specific to your health library.	Assign each issue to Pebble, Rock, or Boulder category.	Share your categorizations and reasoning with the group.	Adjust categories based on group feedback and insights.

Action Planning and Conclusion

Pebble Actions

Identify quick wins and immediate steps to address simple OA issues.

Rock Strategies

Develop plans for tackling more complex OA challenges in your library.

Boulder Roadmap

Outline long-term strategies for major OA-related transformations.

Share and Reflect

Present your action plans and gather feedback from peers.