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TO: Joint Steering Committee for Revision of AACR

DATE: Dec. 1, 2011

FROM: Barbara B. Tillett, LC Representative

SUBJECT: Clarifying Date Associated With the Person and Core Requirements

This revision incorporates changes discussed at the 2011 JSC meeting; it does require a **JSC response by December 19, 2011** because LC is responding to an ACOC comment not addressed during the meeting. See the section "Discussion at November 2011 JSC meeting" below. Changes in the original proposal are highlighted in yellow.

## Background

Instructions 0.6.4, 8.3, and 9.3.1.3 presently do not consistently provide for recording the elements either as **additions** to the authorized access point representing the person, family, or corporate body, or as separate elements, or as both. Minor changes in the wording of the statement are proposed for clarification

Instructions 0.6.4, 8.3, and 9.3.1.3 need to indicate which element subtypes of "Date associated with a person" are core and which "core when."

"Period of activity of the person" needs to be added to the second list in instructions 0.6.4 and 8.3 as an identity element that can be used for differentiation.

## Discussion at November 2011 JSC meeting

The JSC agreed with LC's proposed changes except for replacing the wording "additions to" and adding "Period of activity of the person" to the first lists at both 0.6.4 and 8.3.

ACOC's response to the proposal included a comment that the style at 0.6.2 would need to be used for 0.6.4 and 8.3 once "Date of birth" and "Date of death" were added. The existing list at 0.6.4 is already a mixture of elements and element sub-types: Preferred name for the person is a sub-type; Location of conference, etc., is a sub-type. LC doesn't think ACOC's comment was discussed by the JSC. In this revision, LC has added "Date of birth" and "Date of death" and deleted the existing "Date associated with the person." The attached document shows with yellow highlighting what would need to be added to mimic the style at 0.6.2; such additions do not seem to be helpful.

Revised proposed revisions of 0.6.4.

0.6 Core elements

0.6.4. Section 3: Recording Attributes of Person, Family, and Corporate Body

When recording data identifying a person, family, or corporate body, include as a minimum the elements listed below that are applicable and readily ascertainable. Record the elements either as parts of additions to the authorized access point representing the person, family, or corporate body, or as separate elements or as both.

Preferred name for the person  
Title of the person  
Date associated with the person  
Date of birth  
Date of death  
Period of activity of the person (when needed to distinguish a person from another person with the same name)  
Other designation associated with the person  
...

If the preferred name for the person, family, or corporate body is the same as or similar to a name by which another person, family, or corporate body is known, record as many of the additional identifying elements listed below as necessary to differentiate them. Record the elements either as parts of additions to the authorized access point representing the person, family, or corporate body, or as separate elements, or as both.

Fuller form of name  
Profession or occupation  
Field of activity of the person  
Period of activity of the person  
Place associated with the family  
Prominent member of the family  
Location of headquarters, etc.  
Associated institution  
Other designation associated with the corporate body

Revised proposed revisions of RDA 8.3

Add a new sentence in the statement preceding the first list in 8.3; modify the first list; modify the statement preceding the second list; add to the second list.

### 8.3 Core Elements

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Title of the person  
Date associated with the person  
Date of birth  
Date of death

Period of activity of the person (when needed to distinguish a person from another person with the same name)

Other designation associated with the person  
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Fuller form of name  
Profession or occupation  
Field of activity of the person  
Period of activity of the person  
Place associated with the family  
Prominent member of the family  
Location of headquarters, etc.  
Associated institution  
Other designation associated with the corporate body  
...

#### Revised proposed revision to 9.3.1.3.

Add a new sentence at 9.3.1.3.

#### 9.3.1.3 Recording Dates Associated with Persons

Record dates in terms of the calendar preferred by the agency creating the date. For details on the Christian calendar, see appendix H.

Record dates either as parts of additions to the authorized access point representing the person, or as a separate elements, or as both.

Record a date associated with a person by giving the year alone.

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Revised proposed revisions of 0.6.4.

Add a new sentence to the first paragraph at 0.6.4; modify the first list at 0.6.4; modify the statement preceding the second list at 0.6.4; add to the second list at 0.6.4.

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- Preferred name for the person
- Title of the person
- Date associated with the person
- Date of birth
- Date of death
- Other designation associated with the person
- ...

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- Fuller form of name
- Profession or occupation
- Field of activity of the person
- Period of activity of the person
- Place associated with the family
- Prominent member of the family

Location of headquarters, etc.  
Associated institution  
Other designation associated with the corporate body

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Preferred name for the person  
Title of the person  
Date associated with the person  
Date of birth  
Date of death  
Other designation associated with the person  
...

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Fuller form of name  
Profession or occupation  
Field of activity of the person  
Period of activity of the person  
Place associated with the family  
Prominent member of the family  
Location of headquarters, etc.  
Associated institution  
Other designation associated with the corporate body  
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