Sustainability Task Force

• Renewed energy behind interest in long-term financial sustainability of QIBA

• Task force consists of:
  – RSNA support staff
  – QIBA leadership
  – Mix of MD, PhDs and MBAs from
    • Academic Centers
    • Hospitals
    • Pharma and Biotech companies
    • Medical Technology Companies
    • Independent consultants
Phase 1 for Sustainability Task Force: Understanding Scope, Need and Urgency

• NIBIB funding running out Fall 2017
  • Increased RSNA funding supporting the continuation of QIBA
    • But without new additional resources, no funding for groundwork projects
Phase 1 for Sustainability Task Force:
Understanding Scope, Need and Urgency

- Significance of groundwork
  - Filling in knowledge gaps to go beyond position papers
  - Keep the field moving forward

- Consistent QIBA leadership vision and strategy planning
Phase 2: Collecting Ideas for Funding Resource Portfolio

Key considerations:

– Identification of a range of potential funding resources for stability and robustness

– Strategic evaluation of preparatory time needed for each mechanism

– Choice of funding mechanisms that may provide
  • Well-defined for specific projects, duration and purpose
  • Medium- and long-term funding for the organization
Collecting Ideas

• Broad categories:

  – Assets QIBA developed, largely based on Intellectual Property, Consensus on Methods and Recommendations. Examples: Phantoms, Profiles, Checklists
  – QIBA providing Services. Examples: Accreditations, Proactive Data Certification, Consulting
  – Collaborations with Organizations that promote, incentivize or require Alignment with QIBA Recommendations
  – Grants for specific needs, such as Administrative Supplements, Groundwork Projects. Funding from Foundations, Companies with interest in QIBs
Phase 3: Consolidate and Develop Most Promising Avenues

• Goal is to present updated recommendation for QIBA funding at QIBA- RSNA face to face meeting
  – Mechanisms may not be fully developed, but should be
    – Well-evaluated
    – Actionable
  – Aiming for a portfolio of short, medium and long-term funding