Welcome!

Welcome to the October 2013 issue of our MHIMA member and corporate partner e-newsletter, Uplink. We hope you enjoy our newsletter!

Feeling creative? Looking for some CEUs? We are always looking for authors of articles of broad interest to our MHIMA membership: about 500 words, worth two (2) CE credits for your original work. There are lots of "hot topics" in today's world of healthcare, Privacy & Security, e-HIM, ICD-10, etc. If you're interested in authoring an article, please contact MHIMA's Executive Director.

Current and past issues of our e-newsletter are available under the UPLINK E-NEWSLETTERS button on our MHIMA website.

President's Message

Danika Brinda, MA, RHIA, CHPS, MHIMA President

Fall is definitely in the air and the leaves are changing and falling at a rapid pace. I am reminded how fast the fall in Minnesota goes, but how magical it is along the way.

I was able to help out at the water stop at mile 20.6 at the Twin Cities Marathon on Saturday, October 5. This was our view from the water stop – the Mississippi River in Minneapolis, utterly breath-taking.

We are busy working on different activities within the MHIMA Strategic
**MHIMA Vision & Mission**

**Vision:** The Minnesota Health Information Management Association, together with AHIMA, will set the standard and be the recognized leader in health information management practices, technology, education, research, and advocacy.

**Mission:** MHIMA is committed to the professional development of its members through education, networking, and life-long learning. These commitments promote high quality health information and benefit the public, health care providers, and other clinical data users.

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Staying Connected with MHIMA

Want to stay connected with MHIMA? Be sure your

Plan. We have attached a copy of the MHIMA strategic plan for all of you to see and review. We are focusing on our pre-defined Key Focus Areas (FKAs) and we also defined little audacious goals for the next 1-3 years in Advocacy, Consumer Engagement & Education, Member Engagement, Marketing and Communications, Industry Collaboration, and Industry Experts. I would encourage all of you to review the 2013-2014 Strategic Plan and know where MHIMA is focusing time and energy!

The Omnibus Rule’s compliance date was September 23, 2013, marking the date for updated Notice of Privacy Practices to be available, new business associate agreements to be established, and policies and procedures to be updated. If your organization is still working on the privacy and security provisions updates, please assure you are putting your time and attention to it. Here is a link to the AHIMA article that discusses specific privacy and security provisions.


We are officially less than a year away of ICD-10. With the countdown clock ticking away it is important to assure your organization is putting the appropriate time and energy into planning for the change. Here is a great article from the Journal of AHIMA that might be useful for people who are in the early stages of planning. http://journal.ahima.org/2013/10/01/icd-10-countdown-to-compliance/

Don’t forget that the Minnesota Legal Manual was updated and moved to an electronic version. It can help with you all your different legal needs based on federal and Minnesota Law. The best thing about the new version is it will be updated as new information or regulations come
AHIMA profile information is up-to-date.

When is the last time you reviewed the information in your AHIMA profile? Have you changed positions? Do you have a new email address? Have you recently moved? MHIMA depends on the member information in your AHIMA profile on a regular basis, including how we communicate with you.

Take a couple of minutes today and visit the AHIMA website, log in with your seven-digit AHIMA member number and your last name, and click on "My Profile/Dues Renewal." Review all of the sections and update any old information.

In the section for Component State Association (CSA) Selections, may we ask that you check "YES" to select e-mails about products and services and "yes" to Postal Mailings. "CSA" stands for the state that you want to be associated with as an AHIMA member. MHIMA out. No more waiting a year or two for updates! Check out more information at http://www.mnhima.org/aboutus/aboutus9.html

Watch the calendar as we will have dates of webinars and other activities coming out soon! If you are looking for something more specific or would like to see some type of education, please let me know! We head to the national House of Delegates on Sunday, October 27, 2013. Watch the next Uplink for information and details about what we worked on!

Danika

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Free Health Data Analytics MOOC from The College of St. Scholastica's HIIM Department

Big data in health care has sparked a lot of interest in applying analytical techniques to acquire new information from existing data. In order to become proficient in data analytics one must first understand the foundational component of how the data is stored and acquired. This course will explore all aspects of the data analysis lifecycle.

The College of St. Scholastica is offering a Massive Open Online Course to the public at no cost. The course, Health Data Analytics, begins October 14 and registration is open until November 11, 2013. The course needs to be fully completed by December 7. Learn more or
uses email as our primary method of communication, and occasionally land mail. If you check "no" in either of these options, you don't receive either type of communication from MHIMA.

Remind your colleagues to update their profile as well.

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**MHIMA Job Bank**

Are you seeking a job? Are you an employer looking for a potential employee? Is your facility looking for someone with a skill set of MHIMA members?

Be sure to check out the MHIMA Job Bank Network on our website, which continues to be very popular. New positions are posted on a regular basis. On register at go.css.edu/learn

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**Call for Speakers and Topics for 2014 Annual Meeting**

MHIMA members are invited to submit topics you want to hear about at the annual meeting to be held April 30-May 2, 2014, and names of speakers to present on those topics. Please send those topics and names to Chris.Lucas@TRIA.com and Emily.Morley@allina.com, the 2014 Annual Meeting Co-Chairs.

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**It's Here ... the 2013 MHIMA Legal Reference Manual!**

The 2013 electronic MHIMA Legal Reference Manual is now available for purchase. There are many changes with the 2013 revision, most notable the format. The manual will no longer be purchasable on CD. Instead we are going-live with an electronic subscription. There are also a variety of content changes including the consolidation of information as well as the addition of new information including:

- Chapters 1: *Health Care Records* and 2: *Retention* have been consolidated and are together Chapter 1: *Legal Health Record*.  

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the Job Bank page, you'll find information about registering as a "job seeker" or as an "employer." Check us out often!

**Job Seekers:** There is no fee to register.

**Employers:** Job posting fees are very reasonable and position postings are open to everyone visiting our Job Bank as a job seeker. E-blasts of job announcements are available for purchase and reach a targeted audience of MHIMA members who receive emails.

Click [here](http://www.mnhima.org/aboutus/aboutus9.html) to visit the MHIMA Job Bank.

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**Stay Up-to-Date with MN e-Health**

If you aren't receiving the weekly electronic MN e-Health Update newsletter, consider signing up for it. This publication, from the MN Department of Health, keeps you current with issues related to e-health, including HITECH, Meaningful Use, Privacy & Security and others. You'll also find links to e-Health resources available for your use. To subscribe, click [here](http://www.mnhima.org/aboutus/aboutus9.html).

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**MHIMA Promotional Items**

The section titled *ARRA* is now Chapter 2 with added information about the HITECH Act.

**Chapter 4: Legal Proceedings** has new information regarding criminal proceedings.

**Chapter 5: Disclosure/Release of Information and Patient Access** has new information on Third Party Record Reviewers, Government Audits, DMEPOS, and Genetic Information.

**Chapter 9: Home Care and Hospice Records** has updated information throughout the chapter.

**Chapter 12: HIPAA** rearranged and added information to better reflect 45 CFR 164

**Updated Disclosure and Tracking Matrix, Websites/Links and Mergers and Acquisitions addendums**

The Legal Reference Manual Committee held an educational session at the annual meeting on Thursday, April 25th titled "Add Value to Your Organization: 2013 MHIMA Electronic Subscription Legal Reference Manual". The committee was also be available at the MHIMA Booth to answer questions and demonstrate the manual. Demonstrations will also be held at the Rural Health Conference and Minnesota e-Health Summit in June.

There is a new webpage for the Legal Reference Manual on MHIMA's website. From the main page click the Legal Manual button in the left column. There is a list of pricing options and frequently asked questions for your convenience, as well as the link for ordering the manual. Here is the link:


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**The Legal Manual Committee is Looking for HIM Professionals in Non-Traditional HIM Roles**
MHIMA has a limited supply of drink cups and travel mugs for sale. The cost is $11.00 each, including sales tax.

Click here to order!

Indian Health Services, Dentistry, Chiropractics, Veterans Administration, Public Health, Optometry, Podiatry, etc …

Do you or someone you know work in a non-traditional HIM setting? If you answered “yes”, then MHIMA needs your help.

The Legal Reference Manual Committee is searching for experts in non-traditional HIM roles to help author a new chapter in the MHIMA Legal Reference Manual for "Non-Traditional HIM."

The list above covers a few areas we’ve brainstormed for this chapter but there could be more! This does not include Hospitals, Ambulatory Care, Home Health, Hospice, Long Term Care, or Behavior Health since there are already specific chapters covering these areas of practice in the Legal Reference Manual.

For questions or to sign up to help, please contact Linnea Hansen at linnea.hansen@allina.com or Andrea Heikkinen at andrea.heikkinen@yahoo.com.

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MHIMA Is on Facebook!

Please check out the new MHIMA page on Facebook! To find the MHIMA page, search for MN Health Information Management. Click “Like” to start receiving our MHIMA page updates!

We are looking to use this tool as another way to communicate to our members. So far, the following items have been added to the page:
The Marketing & Communications Committee is continuously adding new information to the page and we are always looking for ideas. If you have any suggestions regarding the Facebook page, please email marketing-communications@mnhima.org or send us a message using Facebook!

Sincerely,
Amanda Maas, RHIA, CHPS
Marketing & Communications Committee Co-Chair

AHIMA Releases ROI Toolkit

AHIMA recently released the 2013 ROI Toolkit: A Practical Guide for the Access, Use, and Disclosure of Protected Health Information.

This invaluable guide will assist HIM professionals in all health care settings. To access the guide, click the link below. You will need your AHIMA User ID and Password to access the guide.

http://library.ahima.org/xpedio/groups/secure/documents/ahima/bok1_050184.pdf

Coming Soon: ICD-10-PCS Flashcards Go Mobile
A mobile version of AHIMA’s educational ICD-10-PCS Flashcards will be available soon for Apple devices and the Android phone, demonstrating the power of technology to transform learning, energize coding communities, and inspire innovative learning and thinking. The first step in mastering ICD-10-PCS is to become familiar with the terminology, structure, and format of the new code set. The app covers 31 medical and surgical root operations and the seven approaches, along with 16 cards that illustrate the character values of each of the ICD-10-PCS sections, and will allow coding professionals to master ICD-10-PCS principles directly from an Android phone, Apple iPhone, iPad, or iPod Touch.

Updated Maximum Charges for Patient Records - 2013

The Minnesota Department of Health has published the Maximum Charges for Patient Records February 2013, confirming the annual determination of maximum charges for patient records. When section 144.292 of the Minnesota Statutes applies, the maximum charges for 2013 are $1.30 per page for copy charges and $17.21 for retrieval fees. Pursuant to statute, these limits do not apply to x-rays. The provider may charge a patient no more than the actual cost of reproducing x-rays, plus no more than $10 for the time spent retrieving and copying the x-rays.

You can obtain a copy of the February 2013 document by clicking here.