

MHIMA Rising Star Award

The MHIMA Nominating Committee and the Board of Directors are pleased to announce the 2019 recipient of its Rising Star Award!

This Achievement Award seeks to recognize individuals who have demonstrated progressive leadership in and commitment to the future of the HIM profession through excellence in the workplace and/or participation in local, regional, state, or national related HIM activities.

Our recipient this year is **Nick Procaccini**.

Nick obtained his Associate of Arts and Sciences (AAS) degree in Health Information Technology from Anoka Technical College in 2013 and successfully received certification as a Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT) the following year. He made the dean's list during his time at Charter Oak State College and in December 2018 graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Health Information Management. Nick is currently preparing to sit for the Registered Health Information Administrator (RHIA) exam.

Since 2014, Nick has worked in the Document Management department at Allina Health. He has progressed from an eHIM Specialist I (document prepper/scanner), to an eHIM Lead, and is now an eHIM Supervisor that supports a team of 25 onsite and remote employees. Described as a "quiet leader," Nick leads by example and word, and diligently works side by side with his staff until a comfort level is achieved and they can successfully work independently. He has effectively taken on tasks with increasing scope and responsibility while simultaneously managing a warehouse of pre-EMR/paper medical records. Nick also works cohesively with his immediate manager to assure consistency with Allina Health's retention and disposition standards, inventory management, and execution of special projects.

Nick's dedication to the profession is also evident through his continued involvement with MHIMA. He has volunteered on the Annual Meeting Planning Committee as well as the Marketing & Communications Committee. Last year he was elected to MHIMA's Audit Committee and is currently serving in this role through June 2020.

Please join us in congratulating Nick at our [Annual Meeting](#), on Thursday, May 2nd, 2019!

Christina, MS, RHIA
Past President, MHIMA
Nominating Committee Chairperson