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Hello everyone! The autumn season is upon us! This is a great time of year in Minnesota as the leaves are changing colors and the cooler temperatures are arriving. I personally love this season as it brings forth two of my favorite things: Vikings football and pumpkin spice lattes!

The MHIMA Board of Directors is continuing its work on the various activities within our Strategic Plan for the year ahead and beyond. We have maintained a commitment to aligning with AHIMA’s Strategic Objectives of informatics and analytics, information governance, HIM pathways, and consumer engagement. In addition, we will be focusing on goals within our Key Focus Areas of Advocacy, Marketing & Communications, Coding & Data Quality, and the Annual Meeting. If you cannot attend a regional meeting this fall, please keep an eye out for future communications regarding more detailed information on the Strategic Plan.

Our Calendar of Events page on the MHIMA website is already jam packed with activities for the 2017 – 2018 year and it continues to be updated regularly! The focus of each scheduled event is designed to fulfill our mission to support our membership with professional development and ongoing educational opportunities. I strongly encourage each of you to make note of when the regional meetings are scheduled this fall as all regions will be voting on regional bylaw changes and most will be holding elections for new officers. Also, the Annual Meeting Committee is busy planning our 2018 conference “HIM – Waves of Change: Oceans of Opportunity” at the Minneapolis Marriott Northwest in Brooklyn Park, MN. Be sure to mark your calendars for this exciting event on April 25th, 26th, and 27th!

Brandi Bierbrauer, Mary Juenemann, Ryan Johns, Mallory Johnson, and I recently represented our state association at the AHIMA Convention and the 71st House of Delegates (HOD) session in Los Angeles, California. We are excited to share with you our experience at these events, so be sure to check out the corresponding article within this edition!

With all the recent devastation of fires, hurricanes, and flooding impacting so many areas across our country, AHIMA has established the Health Information Relief Operation (HIRO) Fund to assist AHIMA members in these areas. If you would like to donate or know of someone in the affected areas who is in need of assistance, please visit the HIRO Fund page at http://www.ahimafoundation.org/Support/HIRO.aspx and follow the instructions. On behalf of the MHIMA Board of Directors, thank you for considering a donation.

In closing, I would love to hear from you! Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments at president@mnhima.org.

Respectfully,

Christina M. Wallner, MS, RHIA
MHIMA Delegates Brandi Bierbauer, Mary Juenemann, Ryan Johns, Mallory Johnson, and Christina Wallner recently represented our state association at the 2017 AHIMA Convention in Los Angeles, California. Shortly after arriving in the “City of Angels,” we kicked off the convention events by attending the AHIMA Volunteer reception honoring association members for their contributions. The following day brought forth the 71st House of Delegates (HOD) session. The primary role of the HOD is to govern the health information management (HIM) profession. As a grassroots member forum of AHIMA, the HOD plays a critical and multi-dimensional role that includes document authority, environmental scanning, advocacy, research, and innovation. This year the areas of focus included professional development, consumer engagement, business process outsourcing, and the future of the House of Delegates. Each Minnesota Delegate had an opportunity to participate in these sessions and contribute to the discussions for all of the focus areas. Recommendations from each session will be posted to the State Leaders and House of Delegates community on Engage which is open to all AHIMA members.

The Convention itself kicked off on Monday, October 9th, with General Session speakers including AHIMA Board President Ann Chenoweth and Don Rucker, MD, National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, as well as a moderated point/counterpoint session on healthcare featuring former US Senator Barbara Boxer and former Speaker of the US House of Representatives Newt Gingrich where the topic of healthcare reform was explained coming from two directions. The Triumph Awards were also announced, with Dr. Angela Kennedy being this year’s Distinguished Member. After spending some time in the Exhibitor Hall, Delegates attended various breakout sessions focusing on clinical documentation improvement, information governance, population health, and workforce development.

Tuesday started off with the annual CSA networking breakfast where each of the CSA’s executive board members attend and share how their strategic plans align with the AHIMA pillars. This provided a great opportunity for engagement and for learning more about the strategic plans of other CSA’s. Tuesday’s General Session featured the Presidential Address for AHIMA’s incoming President, Diann H. Smith, MS, RHIA, CHP, FAHIMA, who told members, “There is no limit to what we can do when we are involved. Be bold!” The address was then followed by two panels focusing on the future of healthcare and the health information management profession. The first was moderated by AHIMA Interim CEO Pamela Lane and included the CEO of HL7, Charles Jaffe, MD, PhD, and H. Stephen Lieber, President and CEO Emeritus of HIMSS. Mr. Jaffe and Mr. Lieber shared their thoughts on the direction of our
Did you know that the third leading cause of death in the US is due to preventable medical errors? That number would be the same as a fully loaded 747 crashing daily! The second panel focused on the growth and opportunities for health information management professionals in information governance and informatics, as well as the next steps for individuals and the profession in taking advantage of those opportunities. Minnesota’s own Ryan Sandefer, a featured panelist, shared his excitement of the future of HIM saying, “We need to acknowledge that we have the skills, abilities, and potential to meet the future demands of HIM.”

Delegates spent the final day of the Convention attending additional breakout sessions focusing on privacy and security, innovation, leadership, and HIM practice standards. Emmy, Tony, and Oscar-Winning Actress Viola Davis closed out the General Session with an inspirational account of her journey of overcoming obstacles to become the successful woman she is today.

If you get the chance to attend a regional meeting this fall, you will hear a firsthand account of our experience from your delegates! Please do not hesitate to reach out to any of the MHIMA Delegates who were in Los Angeles this year if you have any questions. We were and continue to be proud to represent our great state association and are excited to integrate the learnings into our ongoing strategic plans.

Christina Wallner, MS, RHIA
MHIMA President

Ryan Johns, RHIA, CHPS
MHIMA President-Elect
2018 MHIMA DISTINGUISHED MEMBER AWARD

The Minnesota Health Information Management Association Nominating Committee is requesting nominations for our 2018 MHIMA Distinguished Member. The Distinguished Member award honors those whose dedication to the profession has been demonstrated through exemplary work, service, achievement or lasting contribution to the HIM profession in a tangible way.

Eligibility:
Nominees must have been an active member of MHIMA for five (5) years or longer, and be members at the time of nomination. The nominee must have an outstanding contribution to our profession in one (1) or more of the following areas: volunteer service to our organization, outstanding achievement in professional practice, dedication to education, contributions in research or published materials.

Examples:
• Leadership in specialty areas or innovative approaches to methods improvement
• Significant number of years (25+) in employed service, practice or mentorship within HIM
• Respected professorship or instruction (adjunct through emeritus) in an academic program; development of teaching strategies; regular presentations at HIM conferences or other educational events
• Service as an officer, director, committee member, project or task force member, Engage Community facilitator or a representative of the HIM field at governmental or state healthcare associations
• Authorship, editing or service on editorial boards for journals, books or other HIM-related publications
• Other activities that show passion and dedication to the HIM profession

To submit a nomination for Distinguished Member, contact Kristi Lundgren, Nominating Committee Chair at past-president@mnhima.org, or your Region President.
The Minnesota Health Information Management Association Nominating Committee is requesting nominations for the 2018 MHIMA Rising Star Professional award.

Do you know or employ an HIM professional who has demonstrated progressive leadership in, and commitment to the future of the HIM profession?

Examples:
- Demonstrates progressive leadership
- Innovative approaches in HIM work
- Has served as an officer, chair, member of a task-force or committee on a national, state or regional HIM association
- Other activities that show passion and dedication to the HIM profession

If YES – we would love to hear from you!

**Eligibility:**
Nominees must be an active member of MHIMA and be employed in an HIM-related field or position. Nominees must have earned and maintained at least one AHIMA-approved credential, and have been employed for five (5) year or less from the date of credential award. Nominees must have demonstrated progressive leadership, and commitment to the future of the HIM profession through participation in HIM-related activities or volunteer work.

To submit a nomination for Rising Star Professional, contact Kristi Lundgren, Nominating Committee Chair at past-president@mnhima.org, or your Region President.
The Minnesota Health Information Management Association Nominating Committee is requesting nominations for the 2018 MHIMA Outstanding Student award. Do you know a student who has demonstrated excellence, leadership and commitment to the future of the HIM profession and their future career?

Examples:
- Coordinated an HIM study group or club
- Volunteered at a MHIMA or Regional event or meeting
- Provides mentorship to classmates
- Other activities that show passion and dedication to the HIM profession

If YES – we would love to hear from you!

Eligibility:
Nominees must be a student member of MHIMA, currently enrolled in and beyond the first 2 quarters or semesters in their CAHIIM accredited program or AHIMA approved coding program, at a grade point equivalent of 3.5 or higher out of 4.0, and have demonstrated the qualities of leadership and commitment to the profession.

To submit a nomination for Outstanding Student, contact Kristi Lundgren, Nominating Committee Chair at past-president@mnhima.org, or your Region President.
NEW BOARD MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

RYAN JOHNS, RHIA, CHPS

How long have you been a MHIMA Member?
9 years

Why did you decide to run for the seat you currently hold with MHIMA?
I decided to run for President-Elect because I have enjoyed supporting MHIMA’s mission and vision over the past years and thought this would be an exciting but also a good challenge to represent the association. I have enjoyed making connections with MHIMA members and members of other component state associations as well.

What is your role?
President-Elect

What are two goals you hope to accomplish this year?
I’m hoping we can continue to engage our membership with various different offerings and educational programs as well as coming up with a great strategy plan for the next couple of years.

BRANDI BIERBRAUER, RHIA, CPhT

How long have you been a MHIMA Member?
I have been a MHIMA member since 2010.

Why did you decide to run for the seat you currently hold with MHIMA?
I wanted to get more involved in working with regions, members, and our national association in representing Minnesota’s HIM CSA and its members.

What is your role?
I am the Delegate Director, first year.

What are two goals you hope to accomplish this year?
I hope to work with various subgroups to get our CSA more involved in social media, as well as bring information I obtain from AHIMA and communicate this to the MHIMA BOD as well as our members.
Minneapolis Health Information Management Association
Call for Presentations

2018 Annual Meeting and Exhibit
April 25, 2018 - April 27 2018
Minneapolis Marriott Northwest
Brooklyn Park, MN

DEADLINE: November 10, 2017

MHIMA will attract hundreds of health information management professionals to learn the latest in management of health information and technologies. We need your expertise, successes and ideas to be shared with your peers!

MHIMA is looking for experts to present on current topics and the latest trends in health information. If your presentation is selected, benefits to you include gaining visibility and credibility from your peers while contributing to the HIM profession, and receiving free registration to our meeting on the day you are presenting.

Our MHIMA Annual Meeting Committee will be looking for topics that relate to:
• Prepare for the Future of HIM
• Informatics
• Data Analytics
• Information Governance

Interested?
Complete our call for presentations form at http://www.mnhima.org > Annual Meeting > Call for Speakers.
CREDENTIAL SPOTLIGHT

By: Karla Koenig, BSN, RN, RHIA

Credential Obtained: RHIA

What materials did you use to prepare? How long did you study prior to taking the exam?
I used AHIMA’s RHIA Exam Preparation (6th edition) by editors Shaw & Carter. I completed college coursework in May 2017 & studied for two months prior to the exam in July.

How did your current or previous positions help you prepare for the exam?
I do not have experience working in HIM. My related experience is working in utilization review in an acute care hospital.

How do you feel obtaining this credential has helped you in your current position or will help you in the future?
Obtaining this credential will help me in my current position by allowing me to attain a coding certification.

What would you say to MHIMA members who are considering obtaining their RHIA?
I encourage MHIMA members to obtain their RHIA to help them in their current position, or to attain a new position and for the personal satisfaction you will have with this achievement.

Any other comments about preparing for or taking this exam?
Use RHIA exam preparation material. Take note of questions you got wrong and based on your scores in the five domains concentrate your study in your areas of weakness. Go through the exam preparation book several times. I used the AHIMA RHIA Exam Preparation student website also and complete the online assessments.
CREDENTIAL SPOTLIGHT

By: Velentine Nde, RHIT, CHDA/HIMS | DCT

Credential Obtained: Certified Health Data Analyst (CHDA)

What materials did you use to prepare? How long did you study prior to taking the exam?
I used two books, namely Analyzing Healthcare Data and Certified Health Data Analyst (CHDA) Exam Preparation both by Susan White. I also attended a free Data Analytics course in March 2017 sponsored by the OIG at the Normandale Community College. In addition to that I took an online Data Analysis and Statistics with Microsoft Excel course through the edx website. I studied for about 8 months for the exams since most of it was self-study at my own pace.

How did your current or previous positions help you prepare for the exam?
At my current position as Medical Records Technician, I do a lot of auditing of provider documentation such as H&Ps, Psychiatric Assessments, Treatment Plans to ensure that they meet the requirements of CMS and The Joint Commission. I also abstract data for NRI core measures data reporting. In addition, I utilize Access and Excel to query and analyze data in response to various requests by our organization’s administrators in order to facilitate decision making. All these tasks helped prepare me especially in the Data Analytics and Data Reporting domains of the exam.

How do you feel obtaining this credential has helped you in your current position or will help you in the future?
This certification has bolstered my confidence in carrying out the tasks assigned to me especially when they deal with data abstraction, manipulation and analysis. Though I don’t do much of data analytics as I would have loved, right now my hope is that if a new position is created in my department or organization that reflects my skill I will be ready for it.

What would you say to MHIMA members who are considering obtaining their CHDA?
It is an important certification especially if you are dealing with Electronic Health Records, pulling reports, and analyzing data. The exam isn’t easy as it was tough for me especially the area dealing with revenue cycle (something I don’t do). Therefore, it requires proper preparation – going through the main textbook, and other materials of relevance, and then the preparatory questions many times.

Any other comments about preparing for or taking this exam?
The scope of the certification exam is wide so everything you do as a health information professional probably counts as preparation.
In July, the president, president-elect, and two delegate directors attended the AHIMA’s Component State Association (CSA) Leadership Symposium in Chicago, IL. This yearly gathering allows CSA leaders from across the country to come together for two days to receive leadership training and education from AHIMA about current organizational events, as well as collaborate on topics impacting various states.

On Friday morning, Ann Chenoweth, Diann Smith, and Lynne Thomas Gordon started the symposium with AHIMA’s 2017 highlights, including expanding on the concepts of the AHIMA’s Strategic Plan and objectives. These strategic objectives have, and will continue through the next few years, help propel HIM professionals to thrive in the fast paced health-care landscape. These objectives are, as explained on the AHIMA’s website:

- Informatics/Analytics (Lead in Informatics and Analytics)
- Information Governance (Champion Information Governance)
- Career Pathways (Create Pathways for HIM Professional into Emerging Roles)
- Consumer Engagement (Connect Consumer to Their Health Information)

In the speakers that followed, CSA leadership was urged to push themselves, and to analyze changes in the profession and the environment within their states, the nation, and around the globe. The changes that must occur to be effective leaders and stewards of health information moving forward will require quick action to rectify the gap that exists today within our profession and will only widen in the future as technology continues to advance the healthcare industry. Work such as HIM Reimagined, with a tagline of “Transformation that starts with you”, was created to cultivate some of these changes. Presented the second day of the symposium, this taskforce published a whitepaper suggesting recommendations of action to ensure the validity of the HIM profession in the near future. Recommendations included increasing opportunities for higher education, ensuring availability of research within the health information management spectrum, developing specialization across all levels of HIM, and refocusing the credentials to support future industry needs. Within the next 10 years, AHIMA and CSA’s will have to be agile and collaborative to make the necessary changes needed for a successful transition.

Breakout sessions scheduled on both days gave CSAs the opportunity to learn best practices and network. These sessions were lively and yielded many new ideas and contacts across the nation. Topics discussed during the symposium included things such as holding effective annual and board meetings, financial planning and responsibility, member communication strategies, effective social media usage, member engagement, state advocacy, and HIM awareness strategies. These best practices and topics were then brought back to the rest of the Minnesota board to review and incorporate into strategic planning for the next fiscal year.
Meetings such as these allow our MHIMA leadership the opportunity to take invaluable information gathered back to the state. As Ann Chenoweth shared in a recent Journal of AHIMA article about a symposium breakout session, “Meetings have great potential to provide leadership, enroll people in a shared vision, and organize efforts to maximize the effectiveness of the group.” The Leadership Symposium was highly successful this year, and the board looks forward to making the changes necessary to represent the members of MHIMA and provide up-to-date information regarding AHIMA/MHIMA activities and opportunities.

-Brandi Bierbrauer, RHIA, CPhT
First Year Delegate Director, MHIMA

References:
Abrams, Kelly; Carlon, Sheila; Haugen, Mary Beth; Mancilla, Desla; McElroy, Kyle; Millen, Michelle; Sandefer, Ryan; Sharp, Marcia; Sorensen, Linda. “HIM Reimagined Outlines Bold New Future for HIM Profession” Journal of AHIMA 88, no.6 (June 2017): 22-25.


OCR’S GUIDANCE REGARDING 
PATIENT REQUESTS FOR RECORDS

By Sue Nathe, RHIT
Advocacy/Legal Manual KFA Chair

In January of 2016, the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) released "Individuals’ Right under HIPAA to Access their Health Information 45 CFR § 164.524" which provided new interpretive guidance on the right to obtain personal health information from healthcare providers. This guidance was meant to clarify the responsibilities of healthcare providers to comply with the HIPAA privacy rule. The updated guidance addressed the patient’s right to inspect and/or obtain a copy of their health records and to have a copy of their records sent or directed to an individual of their choosing.

Due to the complexity of the OCR guidance, MHIMA Health Information Management (HIM) professionals are encouraged to log on the AHIMA Engage Communities and additional links below from OCR and HHS to research the information presented. The past processes regarding Release of Information have changed substantially. HIM professionals need to be at the forefront of these changes, prepared to assist our patients with appropriate access to their medical information, while ensuring that compliance is maintained when releasing data.

Reviewing the information and links below will assist HIM professionals to address the questions/information below and give additional clarification regarding the handling of Patient Requests for the Releasing of their Medical Information.

Items that are addressed in the webinars include:

• How can I differentiate between a “Patient Request” and a “Third Party Request”?
• What is the difference between a “Patient Request form” and an “Authorization”?
• Can I charge a patient for the records? If so, how much?
• Does this apply to paper records? If so, how?
• An authorization form is not required to request access to an individual’s records, including sending it to a third party.
• Patients can request to receive their records via unencrypted email.
• State law only applies if it provides the patient with greater access to their records.

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OCR’S GUIDANCE REGARDING
PATIENT REQUESTS FOR RECORDS

WEBINARS:

1. Webinar recording: HIPAA Individual Right of Access or Why your ROI Process May Not Be Compliant with HIPAA
   Webinar recording: https://event.on24.com/wcc/r/1456756/8D12E5D0A574A28AC222C8B5BD294D7C

2. Subject: Webinar recording and slides: “Improving the Records Request Process for Patients”
   https://event.on24.com/wcc/r/1476873/EA03EB78BCC88D88EDCF551288311978
   Slides: https://engage.ahima.org/HigherLogic/System/DownloadDocumentFile.ashx?DocumentFileKey=18416e72-cd1f-42c9-8f1c-583bbb5f4b0e

SAMPLE FORM:
   Consumer Engagement & Personal Health Information Community
   Search for “AHIMA Patient Request Model Form”

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

1. *OCR guidance 45 CFR 164.524(c)(3)
   https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/for-professionals/privacy/guidance/access/index.html
2. HHS Authorization FAQ
   https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/for-professionals/faq/authorizations

Watch for upcoming additional education regarding Patient’s Right to Access and Minnesota specific regulations, in addition to an update to the MHIMA Legal Manual, Chapter 5 pertaining to the Release of Medical Records.
You have these useful Health Information resources at your fingertips!

There is a Minnesota Community within AHIMA’s Engage! Make sure you check it out the next time you’re on AHIMA’s website - you will find various topics to engage with and learn from other Minnesota Health Information Management professionals.

There is a resource available that offers free, valuable information for Health Information Professionals! Mary Dudash-White, MA, RHIA, CCS developed this website about five years ago to disseminate useful information to enhance our knowledge - all for free at your fingertips! Mary is a retired HIT professor from Sinclair Community College in Dayton, Ohio.

The website is called **Health Information Technology Notifications (HITNOTS)**, located at www.hitnots.com.

Check out what’s currently listed on HITNOTS:
- Monthly free, online CEU opportunities
- Over 50 multiple choice quizzes on topics such as Sepsis, HIPAA, Pharmacology, Compliance, CDI, etc.) - can be used for personal enrichment or studying for certification exams
- Hot topics
- Case Studies
- Career Resources

If you have any questions or want to contact Mary, please do so at mary@hitnots.com.
# Calendar of Events

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Hi All! Welcome back for another exciting year in Coding/Data Quality. We are looking forward to offering several upcoming coding webinars. Our webinars kicked off in July and we have great topics for the ones to come. Coding Webinars are offered on designated Wednesdays each month at 12:00pm-1:00pm CST. Below you will find a schedule of the upcoming webinars.

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<td>Inpatient E/M</td>
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We are also looking to fill our Coding Roundtable Coordinator position. We would like to fill this position with several people as it is a lot for one person to manage. We would also like the person(s) of interest to work with the current Coding Roundtable Coordinator before she leaves the position. We are looking for individuals who have coding experience, hold an AHIMA coding credential or are credentialed as a RHIA/RHIT, and have a willingness to serve in this position and work with MHIMA members. If you are interested or know of anyone that may be interested, please reach out to Katie Kerr (kkerr@css.edu) or Amber Michelizzi (afranks@css.edu).
Thank you for your article submissions!

We would like to give our great appreciation for everyone who helped with this newsletter. Special thanks to those who submitted content: Christina Wallner, Ryan Johns, Brandi Bierbrauer, Debra Switzer, Karla Koenig, Velentine Nde, Sue Nathe, and Katie Kerr.

Do you have an article you would like to submit for the next newsletter, or a topic you’d like to see featured? Please e-mail us at marketing-communications@mnhima.org - we would love to hear from you!

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