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Indiana Health Information Management Association

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<u>NEW DATE!</u> IHIMA's Annual Meeting is Sept 28-29, 2020 at Embassy Suites Conference Center in Noblesville, IN (#IHIMA20)

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Ask the IHIMA Board! Have a membershiprelated question? E-mail us! ihimahim@outlook.com!

The IHIMA 2020 Annual Meeting & Exhibit has been postponed.

The IHIMA Executive Board has been carefully monitoring and discussing the coronavirus situation. After careful consideration, the Board has made the decision to postpone the 72nd IHIMA Annual Meeting & Exhibit scheduled for April 20th - 21st at Embassy Suites and Conference Center in Noblesville, IN.

Over the past few days, several things have happened which has brought us to the difficult decision to postpone this event:

- Confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Indiana
- A state of emergency has been declared by Governor Holcomb
- Employers are prohibiting employee travel and prohibiting employee's attendance at conferences
- Companies not being permitted to exhibit at conferences

The IHIMA Annual Meeting & Exhibit is being postponed to **September 28-29, 2020**. The conference will still be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center in Noblesville, IN.

All currently registered participants will have their registration roll to the new dates, if any registrant is unable to attend the conference in September, a full refund will be issued upon request. For those not yet signed up, registration will remain open for participants to sign up for the September date. If you must cancel, please complete this online cancellation form.

Embassy Suites will cancel all rooms booked under the IHIMA room block. It is your responsibility to cancel hotel reservations <u>not reserved under the IHIMA room block</u>. Please contact Embassy Suites if you are unsure about your reservation. A new hotel reservation link will be available after April 1, 2020 for the September meeting.

Embassy Suites Hotel Contact Info:

- Phone: (317) 674-1900
- Or access your reservation online

The health of our attendees, exhibitors, sponsors, speakers, and volunteers is a top priority. We apologize for the inconvenience that this may cause. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate this very unique situation.

For any additional questions, please reach out to IHIMA's Central Office Coordinator, LaTonya Harrington at centraloffice@ihima.org.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, find all IHIMA news and event updates on our website and social media platforms.

IHIMA Website, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, Indiana Engage Community

Log In Instructions for IHIMA Events





To register for IHIMA events, you must log in to the IHIMA website. Enter your username (your AHIMA ID#) and password. If having issues, enter your AHIMA ID#, click submit, this will take you to the option to reset your password if you have forgotten it. Need to find your AHIMA ID#? Log into myAHIMA - under Profile: 'Profile Management' – go to Download Card – you will find your Membership Card with your AHIMA ID# here.

Is Your AHIMA Member Profile Up-To-Date?



We want to make sure you receive all IHIMA's communications. We serve as an important forum for communicating national, state, and regional matters that affect the HIM profession.

Update your information by logging into myAHIMA. Under Profile: 'Profile Management' make sure your 'Contact Information' (email) and 'Addresses' (mailing address) are current. Also, under 'Communication Preferences' – 'Component State Association (CSA) Selections' make sure you check the boxes for CSA Email and CSA Mail.

AHIMA's Virtual Hill Day- Advocacy in Action!

<u>Great news</u>! Congress addressed opioid misuse as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. If you were part of Virtual Hill Day on Tuesday, March 24, you will recognize this legislation as the Protecting Jessica Grubb's Legacy Act. It will allow appropriate access to the whole record—essential for safe, effective, whole-person care. The Partnership to Amend 42 CFR Part 2 #AdvocacyInAction #AdvocacyWorks

IHIMA Has A Job Board

The IHIMA Job Board is a benefit for IHIMA and AHIMA members. The Job Board helps job seekers find jobs and employers find staff in the HIM field.



IHIMA Job Board postings remain active on the IHIMA website for 90 days unless we are notified sooner that the job has been filled. Notice of new job listings are emailed to the IHIMA membership list every Friday in the form of a Job Alert.

If you are looking for a new job, or if you are an employer seeking HIM professionals, find all the details about the IHIMA Job Board by clicking here.

The 31st Annual Health Information Professionals Week, March 22-28, 2020 <u>HAS BEEN POSTPONED</u>



With the announcement of AHIMA postponing HIP Week due to the COVID-19 pandemic, IHIMA has also postponed our scheduled celebration for the week. A rescheduled date will be announced later in 2020. Updates and information will be posted to the IHIMA website and the AHIMA HIP Week page.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Write an article for the IHIMA Newsletter!

You are encouraged to submit an article for possible publication in the IHIMA Newsletter!

Submit questions/articles to: ihimahim@outlook.com



Visit AHIMA's Engage Online Communities for discussions and content on topics important to HIM professionals.

Have a question related to Indiana? Join the Indiana Engage Community at Indiana Engage Community and remember to check back often!

ADVOCACY

Advocacy Action Center

To learn more about current Federal & Indiana legislation, click here. To go to AHIMA's Advocacy Action Center, click here.



AHIMA CAREER ASSIST: JOB BANK Click here to see the opportunities!

IHIMA Job Board

Visit AlliedHealthCareers.com for CDI, coding, compliance, auditing, leadership, and education jobs.

Visit MB&CC for medical billing and coding jobs.

IHIMA Regional Association Updates

Become involved with your Regional Association, refer to IHIMA's region breakdown to see which region you belong to. Don't hesitate to email your region with questions!

Northern Indiana Health Information Management Association (NIHIMA)

To stay connected with NIHIMA, refer to their website at http://nihima.com/. Or, you can email them at nihima15@yahoo.com with any questions.

Central Indiana Health Information Management Association (CIHIMA)

The CIHIMA Spring CEU event scheduled for Wednesday, April 29th at Ivy Tech Community College in Lafayette has been cancelled.

Please find a message from CIHIMA President, Darla Morrison, regarding this cancellation here: https://ihima.memberclicks.net/cihima. Email Darla at dsmorrison@unityhc.com with any questions.

Southern Indiana Health Information Management Association (SIHIMA)

SIHIMA hosted a successful meeting on March 5th at Vincennes University in Vincennes, IN. If you're in the southern region and have comments or questions, contact SIHIMA at francie.bishop@gmail.com.

Student and New Graduate Volunteer Program at Conference -Applications Open April 1st

AHIMA is bringing back their exciting Student Volunteer Program at the AHIMA20 Conference in Atlanta, GA, October 14-17. This volunteer program is intended to give an opportunity for current students or new graduates to attend the 2020 AHIMA Conference with all expenses paid (within the AHIMA travel policy guidelines including flights, accommodation, transfers, and meals). The selected volunteers will be assigned activities throughout the conference. This is a great opportunity for our future leaders to become more engaged in the profession! Volunteer activities may include:

- Registration
- Info Booth
- Door Monitors
- Stuff bags
- Bag and badge pickup

- Pre-meeting support
- Career Theater & Fair
- Introducing speakers
- Foundation/Auction
- *Additional tasks as they arise

A limited number of students are chosen for this highly coveted program. Applications for the Student Volunteer Program will be accepted **April 1-30**. Announcements will be made on the Future Leaders Engage Community and AHIMA social media once the application is open.

AHIMA 2020 Student Open House

Join AHIMA for the AHIMA Student Open House webinar on <u>April 30</u> from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. EST. A student only needs to participate in the Open House once during their degree program. This webinar is geared toward students who are looking at what the future holds as they complete their degree. Topics that will be presented include student resources, AHIMA membership, networking opportunities, volunteer opportunities, certification information, and student experiences. Register here.

Topics for the Newsletter

We would like to know what you would like to have included in your newsletter! If you have topics of interest, please send your ideas to us at: Ihimahim@outlook.com

HIM/HIT Programs

Let us know what your students are doing in the classroom. Send pictures and/or information to ihimahim@outlook.com

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Please note IHIMA routinely photographs and videotapes events. These images may be used in print, visual presentations, and on the website to promote activities. If you do not wish yourself to be photographed, please let the photographer know at that time.



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House of Delegate Update

Taken from AHIMA's State Leaders and House of Delegates Engage Community: All Delegate Webinar, 3.11.2020 On March 11, 2020, 105 delegates convened for their quarterly meeting.

The Speaker of the House gave an overview of the House of Delegates (HoD) Strategic Plan and strategic outcomes for 2020.

Goals include:

- Recognition of Delegates as the HIM profession's experts that should be looked upon as AHIMA's currency of
 experience. Initiatives developed from the HoD should be part of AHIMA's programmatic Book of Business to
 meet market needs.
- Delegates should be utilized as expert speakers to speak at the state level and share AHIMA's advocacy agenda.

Tactics include:

- Use the deliverables from the Professional Enhancement Campaign and disseminate to CSA and local leaders to spread the word about the HIM profession.
- Hold an orientation at the HoD level. Train them to be advocates on behalf of the profession and the association.
- Training to prepare Delegates to advocate so they can leverage their knowledge of the profession.

The HoD will be discussing these goals throughout the year and how we can achieve them.

The Speaker-elect of the House reviewed the Editorial changes to the Ethical Standards for Clinical Documentation Improvement (CDI) Professionals (2016). In 2019, a thought leadership roundtable of experts from the industry was convened. The group discussed the evolution and future direction of CDI, as well as meaningful roles that may exist in the future, and how AHIMA can support these roles.

A wording change was recommended by a roundtable of industry experts and validated by input from the CDI Summit, the CDI Practice Council, and comments solicited from AHIMA membership at large. The decision was to recommend AHIMA adopt and champion "clinical documentation **integrity**" as the three words comprising the acronym CDI. "Integrity" will replace "improvement" going forward.

This recommendation was submitted and approved by the AHIMA Board of Directors to upgrade the term CDI to reflect the profession's evolution. This was announced in the December 5th E-Alert, AHIMA Membership Community on Engage, with the change taking effect **January 1**. See the article in the 12/5/2019 E-Alert, within the library item titled: *Changing the I in CDI*, where there is more background and insight from the roundtable members:

- E-Alert Article on CDI
- Changing the I in CDI

Changes to the CDIP credential will be phased in gradually, as will references in materials related to the credential.

Because of this change, the desire is to update the Ethical Standards for Clinical Documentation Improvement Professionals to include the word Integrity in place of the word Improvement.

This was brought to the House Leadership Team for guidance on the next steps, because the Ethical Standards for CDIP are one of the documents that the HoD approved as specified in the AHIMA Bylaws. Changes to this document usually need a House vote. Yet, in this case, it is just replacement of a word based on the change of what CDI is being defined as. There were 2 options for the House Leadership Team to determine:

- 1. Agree to make this word replacement.
- 2. Submit change to the HoD for the 30-day comment period and then a vote to approve the change.

Via a survey conducted with the House Leadership Team, the results indicated that #1 was the choice.

The word Improvement will be changed to Integrity in the Ethical Standards for CDIP document and reposted on the BoK and the AHIMA Web site.

AHIMA staff reviewed some initiatives with the Delegates. Staff provided an overview of the Professional Enhancement Campaign. More information, resources and tools will be shared with Delegates soon about the Campaign, in order to help spread the word among CSAs. Staff also gave an update on the six 2020 Practice Councils' workplan and their new process for content development.

Please refer to the House Leadership & Participation Dashboard. This Dashboard is revised monthly. All the House activities are tracked on the Leadership Dashboard, which also includes updates on the Practice Councils.

Read more about each Council in the 2020 AHIMA Volunteer Group Charges document posted in the State Leaders and HoD Engage community here: 2020 Volunteer Resources.

- CDI, Quality, and Revenue Management
- Clinical Terminology & Classification
- Data Use, Governance, and EHR Structure
- Health Information Technologies and Innovation
- Long Term Post-Acute Care (LTPAC)
- Privacy & Security

Upcoming meetings and events include:

- Apply by March 31, 2020 for a 2021 AHIMA Elected Volunteer position
- Next Envisioning Collaborative Meeting is April 15, 2020 at 2:00 pm Central Time/3:00 pm Eastern Time
- Next House Leadership Team Meeting is May 14, 2020 at 2:00 pm Central Time/3:00 pm Eastern Time
- Next All Delegate Meeting is June 10, 2020 at 2:00 pm Central Time/3:00 pm Eastern Time
- A Delegate Survey will be sent soon to ascertain HIM expertise among Delegates

Additional House of Delegate Updates

View the House Leadership February 14 meeting materials on State Leaders and House of Delegates Engage Community.

State Leaders and House of Delegates Community on Engage also has talking points from the Governance Task Force March meeting. View the talking points and the quarterly update to see what is going on with this Task Force.

The Indiana delegates are here for members and to advocate for, and help advance, the profession. Please continue to share your feedback with your delegates! Your 2019-2020 IHIMA Delegates are: Necole Coots = ncoots@ecommunity.com (1st year delegate), Renee Meunier = renee.meunier2@parkview.com (2nd year delegate), Jennifer Osborne = josborne1@r1rcm.com (2nd year delegate), Alyson Stichter = a.stichter@ibm.com, (President-Elect) and Jacquie Villarreal = jacquelyn.f.villarreal@gmail.com (President)

Newly Credentialed IHIMA Members

Congratulations on earning your AHIMA professional credentials! Here are the newly credentialed Indiana members from last month!

<u>CCA</u> Heather Anderson, CCA Yekaterina Galperin, CCA Tania Sustaita, CCA

<u>CCS-P</u> Mary Zirille, CCS, **CCS-P** CCS Melinda Hall, CCS, CPC Jasmine Kelly, CCS Tisha Langkop, CCS Marisa Price, CCS Dawn Small, CCS Monica Taylor, RHIA, CCS <u>RHIT</u> Kimberly Grynovich, **RHIT**

<u>RHIA</u> Adam Chasteen, **RHIA** Trisha Riley, **RHIA**

Find Indiana's newly credentialed professionals who earned an AHIMA credential within the last year here: https://my.ahima.org/pages/certification/newlycredentialed.aspx

A COVID-19 Update from Our CEO: "The Spirit of Collaboration"

"Despite the situation unfolding around us, it is the spirit of collaboration that unites us," said AHIMA CEO Wylecia Wiggs Harris. "Thank you for your continued support as we adapt to the demands of this evolving situation.'

Be encouraged. Be safe. And most importantly, stay healthy.

Sincerely, Wylecia Wiggs Harris, PhD, CAE, AHIMA CEO Click here to view this video

COVID-19: A Note from AHIMA's CEO

Taken from AHIMA's weekly E-Alert for March 12, 2020

As the US monitors and prepares for the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), I wanted to let you know that AHIMA is here to support you. These are stressful times for many, but this is also a time when AHIMA members can make a difference. Our work has an impact on the quality of patient care, and our understanding of health information helps us tell the stories of our patients and the health of our communities.

To keep you up to date, we have resources available at AHIMA.org/COVID19. You'll find guidance for state associations planning annual meetings and the *Journal of AHIMA*'s new report on a tale of two hospitals fighting the virus on the page, as well as the latest *Under the Dome* column, which offers some background on COVID-19 and discusses new codes in development to track the virus.

The health and well-being of our members, speakers, and guests is our first priority. For that reason, last week AHIMA announced that we have cancelled the April eHealthWeek Croatia event. In addition, we announced yesterday that we are cancelling our 2020 Advocacy Summit in Washington, DC. The AHIMA team is exploring how we can develop alternative ways for advocacy summit presenters to share their work that permits members to earn CEUs; stay tuned for more on this. Our Virtual Hill Day is still taking place on March 24.

We want everyone to be safe. To that end, please keep in mind the common-sense guidelines already being widely shared:

- Stay informed about COVID-19 with information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organization, as well as your local public health authorities.
- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60-95 percent alcohol.
- Cover your mouth and nose when coughing and sneezing with a tissue, or use your upper sleeve, not your hands.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Stay home if you are unwell. If you have a fever, cough, and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and call in advance.
- Follow the directions of your local health authorities.

In times like these, we need to take care of each other. We want to hear from you. Let us know what kind of information and resources you need as the situation progresses. The power of the Association lies in its ability to share knowledge and support each other, and AHIMA is here to help you do that.

Thank you for all you do, Wylecia Wiggs Harris, PhD, CAE, AHIMA CEO

COVID-19: News & Resources

Taken from AHIMA SmartBrief on March 17, 2020

As the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) continues to warrant attention, AHIMA is here to help. We'll continue to update our COVID-19 website with resources that will help health information professionals and their colleagues navigate this epidemic. As AHIMA CEO Wylecia Wiggs Harris, PhD, CAE, said in a letter to members, this is a time when HIM professionals can make a difference. Visit AHIMA's COVID-19 website

SPECIAL COVID-19 UPDATES FROM AHIMA - Telehealth and Release of Information

Taken from AHIMA's Special E-Alert for March 24, 2020

The collection, timely distribution, analysis, and protection of health data is critical to our effective response to the COVID-19 pandemic. This is a time when HIM professionals can make a difference, and AHIMA is here with the resources you need. We're pleased to share two special updates below from the *Journal of AHIMA* regarding telehealth and the release of information.

- AHIMA Special Update: Telehealth and Relaxed HIPAA Enforcement During COVID-19: Includes resources and recommendations from AHIMA privacy and security experts. They focus on consents, reminders, and communication for telehealth, as well as HIPAA enforcement discretion. They also share guidance from the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency on how to identify and avoid COVID-19 cyberthreats.
- AHIMA Special Update: Release of Information Recommendations: AHIMA's experts offer counsel on how to safeguard the integrity of your health systems' quality control practices in regard to patient medical information requests. They also share recommendations for helping patients access their health information while complying with increasingly widespread shelter-in-place orders.

COVID-19: News & Resources

As you seek the resources you need to help our healthcare system, remember that AHIMA has developed a COVID-19 Resources page as a central hub for everything you need to know. We are all in this together. If you have a question or a tip, please don't hesitate to leave a comment, post on Engage, or reach out via social media..

The Best IHIMA Social Media Posts Last Month

- 1) The IHIMA 2020 Annual Meeting & Exhibit has been postponed to September 28-29, 2020. Find all the details here (Facebook: Click here)
- 2) The 2020 IHIMA Board Election has been extended to Friday, March 20th! If you are an active IHIMA member, you are entitled to VOTE in the IHIMA election. Let your voice be heard! (Facebook: Click here)
- 3) Important Announcement from the CDC Today: New ICD-10-CM code for the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) goes into effect on April 1, 2020 now. (Facebook: Click here)
- 4) CDC/NCHS will implement a new diagnosis code for reporting the COVID-19 effective with the next ICD-10-CM update on 10/1. (Twitter: Click here)
- 5) Here's AHIMA's Virtual Hill Day webinar from last week that goes into an in-depth understanding of public policy issues and how to take action through AHIMA's Advocacy Action Center. We encourage you to participate in tomorrow's AHIMA's Virtual Hill Day! (Twitter: Click here)
- 6) Join the #HIMAdvocate efforts today from your home state for #VirtualHillDay! The AHIMA Advocacy Action Center has the option to email your legislators! It only takes a minute! (Twitter: Click here)
- 7) Leveraging Prebill Audits to Combat Denials From a prebill perspective, there are several key opportunities that coders and CDI teams should be capitalizing on to prevent some of the most common types of DRG-related denials. i.e., uncertain diagnoses, conflicting documentation, complications, and appeals. (LinkedIn: Click here)
- 8) ONC and CMS to Host Webinars on the Recently Released Interoperability and Information Blocking Final Rules. (LinkedIn: Click here)
- 9) The IHIMA 2020 Annual Meeting & Exhibit has been postponed to September 28-29, 2020. (LinkedIn: Click here)

Recent News from AHIMA

Journal of AHIMA – March 2020 Issue AHIMA CodeWrite Newsletter - March 2020 AHIMA Resources Newsletter – March 2020 Academic Advisor Newsletter – March 2020 – Subscribe Here AHIMA Reduces Webinar Prices by 30%. Check Out Their 2020 Releases A COVID-19 Update from Our CEO: "The Spirit of Collaboration" Postponed: Health Information Professionals Week Special COVID-19 Updates: Telehealth and Release of Information Student and New Graduate Volunteer Program at the 2020 Health Data and Information Conference

FREE AHIMA On-Demand Webinars

Free On-Demand Webinar: Mental Health CDI Tip Sheets

The importance of CDI within mental health records is a growing area for CDI programs. This FREE webinar assesses the overall documentation goals of the mental health record. The presenter shares a global look at ICD-10-CM versus DSM-5 codes and analyzes behavioral health diagnosis versus a substance abuse diagnosis. The presentation will conclude with a review of the new AHIMA Behavioral Health CDI TIP sheet. Sign up to both learn and earn .5 CEUs here.

Free AHIMA Coffee & Coding Webinar: Laparoscopic, Hand-Assisted, Sigmoid Colectomy

Colectomies are a common procedure to treat intestinal cancer or diverticulitis. This first FREE Coffee and Coding presentation of 2020 will explore a sigmoid colectomy performed laparoscopically with hand-assistance. See how the use of an EEA stapler used during the procedure impacts code assignment. Bring your favorite brew and join us for this insightful half-hour of coding education. Sign up to earn .5 CEUs here.

Calendar of Events

- AHIMA's Annual Student Open House webinar April 30, 2020 Register here
- 🖊 AHIMA Delegate Webinar: Envisioning Collaborative April 15, 2020, 3 p.m. EST
- Antional Volunteer Week April 19-25, 2020 #NVW
- Student and New Graduate Volunteer Program at AHIMA Conference Applications April 1 to April 30, 2020 More info here
- CIHIMA Spring Meeting, Ivy Tech, Lafayette, IN April 29, 2020 CANCELLED
- 🖊 🛛 AHIMA Delegate Webinar: House Leadership Team May 14, 2020, 3 p.m. EST
- AHIMA Fellowship Application Submission Deadline May 22, 2020
- AHIMA Grace Award Application Due May 22, 2020 More Info here
- 4 2020 Making Dreams Come True Distinguished Educator Award Submission Deadline: May 31, 2020
- 4 AHIMA Triumph Award Applications Due June 1, 2020 More info here
- AHIMA All Delegate Webinar – June 10, 2020, 3 p.m. EST
- IHIMA Transitional Board Meeting and Strategic Planning Board Meeting June 11-12, 2020
- 4 AHIMA Election Polls open July 13, 2020 9:00 am EDT through July 27, 2020 6:00 pm EDT
- 👃 AHIMA CSA Leadership Symposium, Chicago, IL July 10-11, 2020 in Chicago, IL
- Assembly on Education Symposium August 2 5, 2020 in Columbus, OH
- **4** AHIMA Fellowship Application Submission Deadline August 21, 2020
- IHIMA Annual Meeting, Noblesville, IN September 28-29, 2020 More info here (#IHIMA20)
- AHIMA House of Delegates (HoD) Meeting, Atlanta, GA October 17, 2020
- AHIMA Health Data and Information Conference, Atlanta, GA October 14-18, 2020 More info here (#AHIMA20)