

News & Views

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ICD-10 Webinar Series: ICD-10 PCS Root Operations

January 20, 2012 – 12:00 -1:45 PM CST

SDHIMA and NHIMA have teamed up to provide our memberships with education regarding ICD-10. This webinar will review the ICD-10 PCS root operations, their definitions, and coding examples of each.

A recording of the webinar will be available for replay within two business days following the live session. The cost for the recorded webinar is the same as the live version. Details will be available at www.nhima.org or www.sdhima.org.

For more information, go to www.nhima.org or go to <http://knowledgeconnex.com/NHIMA/home.html> to register now.

NHIMA Annual Convention – April 18-20, 2012 at the Holiday Inn, Kearney

The following speakers have been confirmed and tentative topics are in parenthesis:

- **Mary K. Mueller** – keynote (Great to 8)
- **Kelly Clarke, Attorney** – Baird Holmes (data breach notification)
- Lolita M. Jones, RHIA, CCS – Lolita M. Jones Consulting Services (ICD-10 circulatory, Home health and Physician office)
- **Dr. David Zielske, MD, CIRCC, CPC-H, CCC, CCS, RCC** - “Dr. Z” (vascular/endovascular surgeries, interventional radiology & interventional cardiology CPT coding)
- **Sharon Butt, RHIT, CCS, ER/OPV Coding Manager** – Anthelio Healthcare Solutions Inc. (ER Coding hot topics)
- **Thea Campbell, MA, RHIA, Dir HIM, ICD-10 task force** – Cedars-Sinai Medical Center (multi-departmental preparation for ICD-10)
- **Dana McWay, JD, RHIA** – Chair of AHIMA Professional Ethics Committee (Social Media Ethics & Values what you need to know)

Proposed CAH Regulations

Proposed regulations “Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Reform of Hospital and Critical Access Hospital Conditions of Participation” were published in the Federal Register on October 24, 2011. Please follow this [link](#) to view the proposed regulations and to view a document which lists issues that were raised by the Joint Commission with CMS regarding the proposed regulations and The Joint Commission’s position on each of the issues.

NHIMA 2012 Election

The 2012 NHIMA nominating committee is about to begin the task of preparing a ballot for next year’s slate of officers. During the months of December and January committee members Katie (Krause) Gartner (kat_krause@hotmail.com or kgartner@sfmtc-gi.org), Michelle Shimmel (michellealmon@yahoo.com), or Melinda Stanley (m.stanley@strategichs.com) may be contacting you about volunteering.

If you are interested in running for an office or if you are contacted by a committee member, please consider this opportunity with all seriousness. Nebraska needs volunteers to help keep the association as strong as it can be.

Voting on this ballot will begin in March. We would like to see a very high voting response with the electronic process. Please consider your choices carefully and make your voice heard by voting in the NHIMA election 2012!



Lead through Volunteering—Nominations for AHIMA Elected Positions Due January 31

Looking to learn something new or to share your knowledge and skills? Need a challenge to get out of a workplace rut? Consider volunteering for AHIMA! Volunteering with AHIMA is a rewarding experience that you simply can't get on the job or in a class. With so many opportunities available, why not give it a try?



AHIMA is seeking qualified active members to fill the roles of AHIMA president-elect and three directors for the Board of Directors. Additionally, three Commissioner vacancies are available for 2012 on The Commission on Certification for Health Informatics and Information Management (CCHIIM). CCHIIM's open positions for 2012 are for a Privacy Professional, HIA Educator and CCS-P Professional. Nominations for president-elect, the Board of Directors, and CCHIIM (made through the Application to Serve) are due **January 31, 2012**. All positions have three-year terms, and all terms begin January 1, 2013.

Before you fill out the application, be sure to take the Volunteer Leadership Core Competencies Self-Assessment, which outlines the skills and abilities required for AHIMA volunteer leadership positions. The self-assessment explains the core competencies for all volunteers and specifies additional competencies for director, commissioner, and committee chair roles. Descriptions, duties, and qualifications can be found through the Application to Serve Web page. Select **Elected Groups** to submit your application before January 31, 2012.

Join the many AHIMA volunteers who invest their time and reap the rewards. Gain recognition as an association leader, help recruit new professionals, and show your commitment to the profession. Volunteer for an AHIMA elected position by submitting your application through the Application to Serve by January 31, 2012. Applications must be submitted online or will not be accepted.

NHIMA Scholarship Winners

The possibilities are endless with an education in HIM! The NHIMA Board of Directors had the pleasure of receiving five applications for this year's NHIMA Scholarship. It was exciting to see this many applications this year as there has not been that many in the recent past few years. THANK YOU to all those who applied!

Congratulations to Theresa Rihanek & David Caulder! They each received a \$400 scholarship towards their education!!!

Theresa A. Rihanek, RHIA, CCS, is pursuing a Masters Degree at Clarkson College. Ms. Rihanek is pursuing her degree in healthcare administration to further prepare for leadership positions and possibly return to a teaching position later in her career.

Mr. David Caulder, is pursuing his degree in health information administration through the University of Cincinnati. Mr. Caulder enjoys educating and mentoring and is looking forward to the challenge of giving back to the profession that has given so much to him.

It is so exciting to see how passionate the applicants are for the HIM profession! Please encourage your HIM students or your friends and colleagues who are HIM students to apply the NHIMA Scholarship next year! (And ask Santa to please donate to the NHIMA Scholarship Fund too...)

NHIMA Contact Information: Dates to Remember:

[Board Members](#) - [Committee/Task Force Chairs](#)

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