

# News & Views



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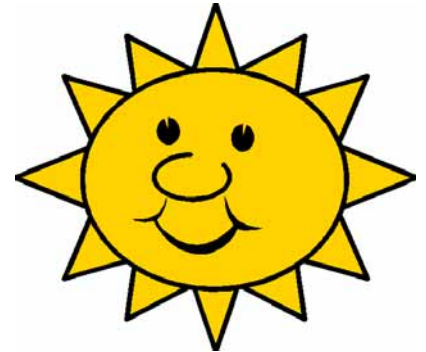
## Hello NHIMA Members!

I cannot believe it has been a year since I took over as NHIMA President. It has been a great year but it went so fast. I made a lot of new friends along the way and became more passionate than ever with the HIM profession and health care. Thank you for allowing me to be your President in this very worthwhile organization. I couldn't have done it without all of the many volunteers who give of their time and energy to make us a successful organization. We had a great board that worked very hard on your behalf. I look forward to continuing as Past President and expect to keep on volunteering.

This next year seems to be just as exciting and I know Angie Gage will do a great job as your new President and the momentum that the Board created this year will keep us moving forward into the future.

Have a great summer and I will see you in Kearney in 2011.

Ranae Race, RHIT ~ NHIMA President



## NHIMA Scholarship Applications Due July 31<sup>st</sup>

Policy, instructions and application form can be found at [www.nhima.org](http://www.nhima.org).

## RHIT Job Analysis Task Force

I had the opportunity to recently participate in a RHIT job analysis task force at the AHIMA office in Chicago, Illinois. A job analysis is a process to identify and determine in detail the particular job duties and requirements and the relative importance of these duties for a given job. A job analysis is recommended every 3-5 years or whenever a major change takes place in the field. AHIMA organizes a job analysis task force for each of its credentialing exams. In this case the task force was made up of 12 RHIT professionals from different areas of the field that were assigned the duty of identify RHIT job domains. The task force then delineated job tasks under each of these domains with the corresponding knowledge that a RHIT professional would need to perform those tasks. The purpose of this work is to survey a field of RHIT professionals regarding how often they perform those tasks and how important the knowledge subject is to performing those tasks. I encourage you that if you are asked to participate in one of these surveys that you take the time out to honestly answer because this survey is then used to help develop the credentialing exam blueprint. This was a really unique experience; I encourage anyone that has never participated to volunteer if asked. If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact me.  
Michelle Shimmel, RHIT ~ [mshimmel@nebraskamed.com](mailto:mshimmel@nebraskamed.com)

## Team Talks & Leadership Conference

Connie Henderson, Theresa Rihaneck, Nancy Kinyoun, Kim Johnson, & Angie Gage will be attending AHIMA Team Talks and Leadership Conference in Chicago on July 16-18.

## ACCESS

Newsletter of the Nebraska Office of Rural Health at <http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/newsletters/access/>

## Welcome

Welcome new board members taking office July 1, 2010:  
Connie Henderson – President Elect  
Charlene Dunbar – Secretary  
Claudia Krueger – 1<sup>st</sup> Year Director

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**NHIMA Contact Information**

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**Dates to Remember:**

**March 30 – April 1, 2011 – NHIMA Annual Convention in Kearney**