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### President's Message

Monday, July 1, 2013 marks the beginning of my year as NHIMA's President. Thank you for your confidence in my ability to lead and represent each of you in the coming 12 months. After many years in the profession, I still find the topics and challenges exciting. Overall, the years have been enjoyable and rewarding. I anticipate another one!

This past April, I heard Matt Jones, a motivational speaker, give the keynote at the Nebraska Health Information Management Association meeting in Kearney. Matt's theme is "Life's a Marathon" and he gives 26.2 ways to "fire up, pump up, and inspire yourself." During Matt's talk he quotes others who have inspired him. One of those quotes, from Charlie "Tremendous" Jones is, "You are the same today you'll be in five years except for two things: the people you meet and the books you read."

#### The People You Meet

I know my life has been enriched over the years by NHIMA members. Several are personal friends, some are college classmates, and others are colleagues of top caliber. I challenge each of you to meet new people in the coming 12 months. To help you meet other NHIMA members, News and Views will spotlight a member in the "Networking Nook". The short article will feature a NHIMA member who has a new or unique job position or has undertaken new challenges utilizing their health information management skills and talents. If you know of someone who would make a great "Networking Nook" story, please email Tina Mazuch at [tinam@northeast.edu](mailto:tinam@northeast.edu), chair of NHIMA's Professional Promotions and Recruitment Committee. We'd love to meet him or her!



#### The Books You Read

Recently I read a short book called You Don't Need a Title to be a Leader, by Mark Sanborn. The author shows how each of us can be a leader in our daily lives and make a positive difference, whatever our title or position. One of Sanborn's nuggets is "People who lead – whether or not they have a title – strive to make things better." (page 11). Let's work together to make NHIMA even better!

Write to me at [cdunbar@neheart.com](mailto:cdunbar@neheart.com) and tell me about a new acquaintance or books you are reading this summer.

*Charlene Dunbar, NHIMA President*

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### Nebraska Legislature

Click [here](#) to see a document the NHA prepared which summarizes the activity of the Nebraska Legislature as it relates to bills of interest to hospitals.

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### CCHIIM At-large Appointments

The Commission on Certification for Health Informatics and Information Management (CCHIIM) seeks highly qualified nominees for consideration and potential appointment to CCHIIM as At-large Commissioners, in accordance with the CCHIIM operating code.

The deadline for submission is July 19, 2013. The call for volunteer's document and checklist the links is included:

[http://www.ahima.org/downloads/pdfs/certification/Call\\_Nominations\\_AtLarge\\_Commissioners\\_CCHIIM\\_061713.pdf](http://www.ahima.org/downloads/pdfs/certification/Call_Nominations_AtLarge_Commissioners_CCHIIM_061713.pdf).



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### NHIMA Scholarship Applications Due July 31st

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

## Career Assist Virtual Career Fair

Are you tired of sending out resumes without a response? Looking for a new job? Are you an employer looking to hire top talent in the health information management (HIM) field? If you answered yes to any of these questions then register today for AHIMA's first-ever Career Assist Virtual Career Fair on August 27, 2013, 1-4 p.m. ET.

### Job Seekers

You can connect directly with potential employers from anywhere with an Internet connection. After logging in, you can see which employers are hiring, the specific opportunities they offer, and information about each organization. Interact one-on-one with the organizations and employers of your choice through online chat. Share your resume and experiences, and ask questions.

### Employers

You have the opportunity to connect with qualified professionals in the HIM field. Rate your interactions and record notes for efficient follow-up. Following the event, you'll receive the resumes of every attendee.

This is an excellent opportunity to discover new career opportunities and network with multiple recruiters and job seekers in one place. Don't miss out! [Register today!](#)

If you have questions, please contact Jessica Heraty at [jessica.heraty@ahima.org](mailto:jessica.heraty@ahima.org).

## NHIMA Contact Information: Dates to Remember:

Board Members - Committee/Task Force Chairs

April 16-18, 2014 – NHIMA Annual Convention – Kearney, NE

## Virtual Education

### ICD-10-CM Introduction (recorded live 12/2012)

This one hour webinar introduces ICD-10-CM. The presentation will discuss differences and similarities between ICD-9-CM and ICD-10-CM, as well as provide information on implementation.

AHIMA CEU: 1.0 Cost: \$40 Register [here](#).

### ICD-10-PCS Medical/Surgical Section Coding (recorded live 3/2013)

The objectives of this 1 hour webinar are to 1) Review the code format and structure of ICD-10-PCS the Medical/Surgical tables; 2) List the advantages of ICD-10-PCS; 3) Review the seven chapters of the ICD-10-PCS codes; 4) Use operative/procedure reports to demonstrate the assignment of appropriate ICD-10-PCS codes.

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Additional offerings can be found at <http://www.knowledgeconnex.com/LearningPortal/ondemandeducation.html> on the KnowledgeConnex On Demand Education web page.

# It's still coming!

## ICD-10-CM/PCS coder education

The Nebraska Hospital Association (NHA) is partnering with the Nebraska Health Information Management Association (NHIMA) to provide ICD-10-CM/PCS coder education.

Sessions are tentatively planned for the following dates/locations:

Scottsbluff – May 2014  
Kearney – May 2014  
Norfolk – June 2014  
Lincoln – June 2014

Exact dates will be provided as soon as they are confirmed. The format of each workshop will be the same.

Day 1 will focus on ICD-10-CM and days 2 and 3 will focus on ICD-10-PCS. You may register to attend only the first day or all three days. Stay tuned for further updates from NHA and NHIMA.

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