

March 2017

President's Message

As I think back on the last month, things are such a blur. I am sure many of you are feeling the same way. Time just goes so fast or maybe it is just because I am getting older. Anyway, this has been a very busy month for NHIMA. The Convention Committee is finalizing plans for April's convention and registration is now available on the nhima.org website for members to register. Make sure to get this done as soon as you can, hotel rooms have been blocked for a limited time at a locked in price.

The Advocacy Chair and Vice President will be traveling to Washington, D.C. at the end of the month. They will be spending one day learning about advocacy and one day meeting with Nebraska State Representatives about important health care issues. Safe travels to both of these ladies and I know that they will represent us proudly.

Finally, news on the HIMR whitepaper - We have been notified that AHIMA has decided to back and support the whitepaper recommendations. The next step in this adventure is to develop a Task Force to conduct research on workforce needs. As of right now, I am aware of two individuals from the state of Nebraska that have decided to take this on. We will keep you informed when new information is available.

I hope to see each one of you at the convention in April. Stay safe.

Yours truly,

Dawn Goodsell, RHA President NHIMA 2016-2017



2017 NHIMA Convention - April 5-7th "HIM: A Buried Treasure"

Younes Conference Center Kearney, NE

Registration now open. To see full brochure, go to www.nhima.org or directly to <http://www.knowledgeconnex.com/annualmeeting/>

DOOR PRIZE DONATIONS Needed!! Everyone loves a Door Prize!

Please reach out to your employer to see if they may be willing to donate door prizes for NHIMA convention.

Many facilities have foundation boards or gift shops that may be willing to donate items. This helps keep our convention costs low.

Please contact Connie Henderson (email link: chenderson@jchosp.com) or Rachel Berry (email link: rberry@chmccook.org) if you can donate a door prize. We will list the donations at the conference. Feel free to bring them with you to the conference.

Thanks so much!

Confirmed Exhibitors:



**Nebraska
Cancer
Registry**

NHIMA 2016-2017 Annual Report

The 2015-2016 NHIMA Annual Report is now available on the Nebraska Engage Community (click on "Libraries" and then "Annual Reports") and at www.nhima.org.



NHIMA Election

The NHIMA Election will be held electronically March 2nd through March 22nd. Please remember to vote! Go to <https://ivote.ahima.org/Vote/Login.aspx/> to vote (only members eligible to vote will be able to vote).

NHIMA Central Office Contract

HealthInfo Innovations will no longer be providing Central Office services after June 30, 2017. The NHIMA Board of Directors is conducting a search to replace our Central Office.

Please go to www.nhima.org for more information. If you are interested or if you have questions, please contact Dawn Goodsell at dmgoodsell1@mccneb.edu or 402-290-1155.

Networking Nook

This Networking Nook features **Sara Ingram-Bandur**, a student at Central Community College. Click [here](#) to read more.



Hierarchical Condition Categories Webinar

The Coding Roundtable Committee has recorded a presentation on Hierarchical Condition Categories. To purchase the webinar, please go to <http://www.associationconnex.com/nhima-hierarchical-condition-categories/>. Another webinar will be available in January, 2017.

NHIMA Contact Information:

[Board Members](#) - [Committee/TF Chairs](#)

Dates to Remember: April 5-7, 2017 - NHIMA Annual Convention, Younes Conference Center, Kearney, NE
