

May 2013

President's Message

Greetings NHIMA Members,

I will start with a huge Thank You to our convention planning committee for their hard work on the 2013 Annual Convention.

- Donna Keller
- Jean Scharfenkamp
- Dawn Goodsell
- Sue McCready
- McKenzie Roeder
- Jennifer Harris
- Bethany Wright
- Theresa Rihanek

This was an excellent team who proved they could produce a great convention. Even with the meteorological challenges that were present, the team more than met attendees' expectations!

I would like to congratulate our 25 year members and thank you for your years of experience and wisdom.

- Liz Bechtle
- Crystal Ehrhart
- Tracy Michel
- Katharyn Freeman
- Bonnie Berndt
- Linda Reiser

Congratulations to our 2013 NHIMA Distinguished Member, **Ranae Race**.

Congratulations to the winner of the NHIMA raffle of an iPad mini, **Ann Vodicka**.

Thank You to our student members for assisting with convention, and attending. Your presence was very much appreciated! Thank you to all the volunteers this year. It is because of you that our convention is a success. Your efforts are invaluable!

A revision of the NHIMA By-laws was brought forth at the NHIMA annual meeting. This revision was necessary to align with a 2011 AHIMA by law revision. The revision addressed inconsistencies in past vs. current practice, fiduciary responsibility of the board members, roles and responsibilities of the House of Delegates, compliance with changes in corporation and federal and state (Illinois) laws. The NHIMA By-law revision was drafted by ad hoc committee members, Connie Henderson, Nancy Kinyoun, and Kimbra Johnson. Their document was approved by the NHIMA board, posted on the CoP, and brought before the membership at the annual meeting. The revision officially passed at the annual meeting.

An amendment to article 5.2 was proposed and approved at the business meeting stating that a candidate for President Elect should have previous leadership experience. The updated by laws will be posted on the COP and News and Views following final approval from AHIMA. The NHIMA board would like to express our appreciation for those who shared their opinions on leadership and volunteering for our organization. We appreciate hearing from those who are passionate about our organization and our profession. Discussion and networking is invaluable to a board, Thank you again for sharing.

One last note, to follow up discussion from the 2012 convention- The contract has been signed for the site of our 2014 and our 2015 Annual Meeting/Convention. The meetings will be held in Kearney.



Michelle Ilsley, NHIMA President

ICD-10-PCS Medical/Surgical Coding

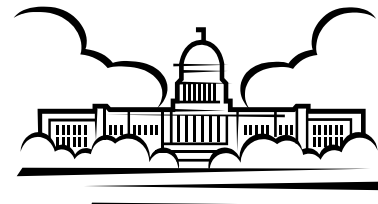
Another free webinar sponsored by the NHIMA Coding Roundtable is coming your way. Watch for an email the first week of April to access another free webinar titled "ICD-10-PCS Medical/Surgical Coding". This webinar will be available during April and May 2013 to NHIMA members only. The objectives of this 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 operatives/procedure reports to demonstrate the assignment of appropriate ICD-10-PCS codes. If you do not receive an email with the link by 4/10/13, email kim@consulthi.com.

Convention Handout Update

Please click [here](#) to find updated slides from the NHIMA Convention presentation, HIE: An Evolving Territory, by Julie Dooling. Ms. Dooling incorporated audience feedback for challenges and opportunities regarding HIE. Please find the update on page 8, first slide, in the following PDF file.

Hill Day 2013

“This year’s Leadership and Advocacy Symposium and Hill Day, March 18-19 in Washington, DC, during National Health Information Professionals Week saw the largest turnout since AHIMA began DC visits in 1988 – with 43 states represented and nearly 200 attendees.



Hill Day kicked off with a breakfast briefing where Congressman Adam Schiff of California presented the Medicare Audit Improvement Act of 2013. This bill was introduced to Congress on Tuesday, March 19, 2013, sponsored by Schiff and Congressman Sam Graves of Missouri.” (Kathleen Frawley, JD, MS, RHIA, FAHIMA)

Shirley Carmichael, RHIT and Charlene Dunbar, MBA, RHIA, attended these sessions and then visited three Nebraska congressional offices. Shirley Carmichael met with legislative aides of Rep. Adrian Smith, Charlene Dunbar met with legislative aides of Sen. Mike Johanns and both Shirley and Charlene visited with the legislative aide of Sen. Deb Fischer. We asked the Nebraska representatives to co-sponsor this important bill. Another important topic discussed with the legislative aides was the importance of having a unique patient identifier. We asked the representatives to promote the removal of language from various appropriations bills that would prohibit HHS and its offices from addressing the need for a unique patient identifier. Charlene and Shirley also provided background information about AHIMA and the health information management profession.

- Submitted by Charlene Dunbar, President-Elect

NHIMA Scholarship Applications Due July 31st

Policy, instructions and application can be found at www.nhima.org.

Election Results for 2013-2014

Shirley Carmichael – President-elect
Sally Roland – Director
Charlene Tilson – Treasurer

Joan Siler – Nominating Committee Chair
Michelle Shimmel – Nominating Committee
Gretchen Jopp – Nominating Committee

NHIMA Contact Information:

Dates to Remember:

Board Members - Committee/Task Force Chairs

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

Virtual Education

Mamma Mia! ICD-10 OB Coding Principles (recorded live 7/2012)

This webinar has updated information and discusses both diagnosis and procedure coding for obstetrics.

AHIMA CEU: 1.0

Cost: \$40

Register [here](#).

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](#).

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.

