

News & Views

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NHIMA Board:

Tina Mazuch, RHIA, CCS; President; Mindi Benis, RHIA, CCS; President Elect; Courtney Burbach, RHIA, Past President, Gretchen Jopp, RHIA, CCS, CPC, Secretary; Jean Scharfenkamp, RHIA, Treasurer; Jessica Fiorelli, RHIA, CCS-P, 2nd Year Director; Liz Bechtle; RHIA, CPHIMS, 1st Year Director.

Dates to Remember:

April 10, 11 & 12, 2019 – NHIMA Annual Convention, Younes Conference Center, Kearney, NE

Inspiring Leadership....Influencing Change

Welcome to the start of a new year for NHIMA! July 1 is the kick off to the beginning of the year for our association. The Board of Directors held a Transition Meeting in June and shared many valuable resources with one another. The Board of Directors is scheduled to hold quarterly face to face meetings throughout the 2018-2019 year and conference call meetings in between those meetings. The Transition Meeting sparked several ideas for this upcoming year but the Board would also like to hear from the NHIMA membership to ensure we are meeting the needs of all members.

The 2018-2019 year has already brought about change! Have you checked out the new look to the NHIMA website? If you have not done so, please check it out! The Board is excited for more upcoming changes and hope you are excited to be a part of the changes too. To be successful in times of transition, one must be continually developing skills and ready to seek out lifelong learning. In all things you do, both professionally and personally; be passionate, be intentional, and be bold!



Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the NHIMA President.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tina Mazuch".

Tina Mazuch, MS, RHIA, CCS

Members of the Board attended the AHIMA Leadership Conference in Chicago on July 13 and 14. Mindi Benis, RHIA, CCS, Gretchen Jopp, RHIA, CCS, CPC, Jean Scharfenkamp, RHIA, Liz Bechtle, RHIA, CPHIMS and Mary Meysenburg, RHIA, CCS, attended many sessions that provided great information for board members. Read about Gretchen's ah-ha moment.....

I just saved \$80 on CEU's!

Gretchen Jopp, MS, RHIA, CCS, CPC

I really did! You know what I did? I STOLE THEM! Not really, they were *given* to me, but I got your attention, didn't I?

Have you logged into your AHIMA account lately? Go ahead, click the "Forgot Your Password" button, no one will know. When you go to MyAHIMA, you will find that you at least FOUR AHIMA Rewards waiting for you. They are a benefit given to you with your AHIMA membership. These Rewards can be used for FREE webinars and AHIMA Quizzes.

Here's what I did. I scanned through the AHIMA Journal Quizzes they have available in the Rewards tab, found four that interested me, dug out my corresponding journals (I keep them safely in a big pile by my desk for when I have "time to read them." Admit it, so do you.), found the articles and completed the quizzes! BAM! Four CEUs for FREE!

It is a little tricky to find the quizzes once you choose them out of your Rewards. They go to your "Digital Content > Journal Quizzes" in MyAHIMA. But it all happens in real time, you don't have to wait or *pay for them*, and in no time, you've *stolen* four CEUs, and saved \$80 for Christmas shopping!

Try it out! You'll thank yourself in December. Happy Quizzing, Gretchen

And.....J. Bryan Bennett spoke on Impacting Leadership. He spoke about innate leadership qualities --Risk Taking, Vision, Empathy and Humility with Humility being the #1 leadership quality. He stressed the greatest leaders are humble --- "it's not about them!"

Wylecia Wiggs Harris, PH.D., CAE provided the group with a glimpse of what is to come. She promised a "hard reset" of AHIMA's strategy and said "business as usual cannot continue." Workgroups will be meeting to discuss AHIMA's strategic plan at the AHIMA Conference this fall, surveys will be emailed to CSA leadership and a strategy will be developed by the end of the year.

Patty Sheridan, MBA, RHIA, FAHIMA spoke on "Leading in Uncertain Times." She is a proponent of the Kansas Leadership Principles:

Leadership is an activity not a position

Anyone can do it, anytime, and anywhere

It starts with you and you must engage others. Your purpose must be clear and...its risky!

There were also sessions on CSA Financial Planning, the Apprenticeship Program, Member and Student Engagement, and an overview of State and Federal Advocacy.



NHIMA Board with Wylecia Wiggs Harris, PH.D., CAE, Chief Executive Officer, AHIMA

Below you will find the profit and loss statement for NHIMA's fiscal year ending 6/30/2018.

	TOTAL
Income	
Coding Roundtable	0.00
120626 webinar income	499.60
Total Coding Roundtable	499.60
Dues	21,124.48
Interest/CD	7.72
Interest/Checking	4.97
Interest/Savings	1.55
NHIMA Annual Convention	26,714.87
Total Income	\$48,353.19
GROSS PROFIT	\$48,353.19
Expenses	
Advocacy Committee	3,960.27
AHIMA National Convention	2,795.35
Assembly on Education	455.00
Board of Directors	2,402.85
Central Office	6,349.00
Coding Roundtable Expense	609.30
FORE Donation	200.00
Late Fees	60.82
Legal/Accounting	500.00
NHIMA Annual Convention Expense	12,674.87
Speaker Fees	7,708.62
Total NHIMA Annual Convention Expense	20,383.49
NHIMA Website	300.00
Professional Promotions Expense	608.39
Scholarship Expense	500.00
Summer Leadership Symposium	3,119.23
Total Expenses	\$42,243.70
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$6,109.49
NET INCOME	\$6,109.49

IMPORTANT CHANGES - PLEASE NOTE

Coming November 1: Updated Recertification Policies

The Commission on Certification for Health Informatics and Information Management (CCHIIM) is an AHIMA commission dedicated to ensuring the competency of health informatics and information management (HIIM) professionals by establishing, implementing, and enforcing standards and procedures for certification and recertification of HIIM professionals and providing strategic oversight of AHIMA's certification programs.

Periodically, this volunteer group of HIIM professionals reviews AHIMA recertification policies to identify areas in which policies can be clarified, updated, or improved to further support and enhance professional development in the field.

Stemming from the latest CCHIIM policy review, an overhaul of the HIIM continuing education domains and a streamlined recertification timeline will go into effect on November 1, 2018. Details on each policy and what to expect in November are below:

New Continuing Education Domains

Currently, credential holders are required to earn a specified number of continuing education units (CEUs) every two years, 80 percent of which must be earned under one or more of AHIMA's HIIM domains.

The CCHIIM has approved a new set of domains, which align with the HIM curriculum competencies and skills needed in the practice of HIM today:

1. Data Governance, Content, and Structure
2. Information Protection: Access, Use, Disclosure, Privacy, and Security
3. Informatics, Analytics, and Data Use
4. Revenue Cycle Management
5. Health Law & Compliance
6. Organizational Management & Leadership
7. Clinical Foundations
8. Evolving Topics

On November 1, the above domains will replace the current domain list in the Recertification Guide and listed in your CEU Center: Technology, Management Development, Clinical Data Management, Performance Improvement, External Forces, Clinical Foundations, and Privacy and Security.

However, your CEU Center will offer both sets of domains through December 31, 2019, in order to afford you time to enter the CEUs you have earned under the older set through that date.

After December 31, 2019, you will still be able to enter CEUs earned under an old domain, but will need to apply them to one of the new domains to the best of your judgement. Some programs may appear to fall under multiple domains; in this case, you are advised to choose the domain that relates to the majority of the program.

New Recertification Timeline

Recertification will continue to be on a two-year cycle. But beginning November 1, 2018, the grace, inactive, and revocation periods for those who have not met recertification requirements by the last day of their cycle will change. The phases that follow an unmet two-year recertification cycle will be:

- First, a three-month grace period

- Followed by a three-month revocation period

The Grace Period:

During the grace period, your credential remains active and in good standing; however, a late fee will be incurred. You can continue to earn and enter CEUs and meet other applicable recertification requirements such as payment of the recertification fee and completion of self-reviews).

The Revocation Period:

During the revocation period, your credential is revoked, can not be used, will not appear in a credential verification search, and any digital badge related to your certification will be discontinued.

To **reinstate your credential**, you must meet your CEU requirement and, if applicable, self-review requirement and pay a reinstatement fee. If requirements are not met by the end of the three-month revocation period, your credential will be permanently revoked; at this point, you will need retake and pass the exam in order to earn the credential again.

These changes will both support credential holders in remaining current in the competencies found in the HIIM industry today and provide a more easily-understood path to recertification.

Keep an eye out for additional information on these policy changes as November 1 approaches. In addition, pay close attention to your recertification cycle to ensure you are up-to-date on all your requirements before your cycle ends.

Congratulations to NHIMA members with new credentials!!!

Luigia Felicella, RHIA
Sara Green RHIT

Beginning with the new NHIMA year in July 2018, NHIMA members will be receiving news from the Board of Directors on a quarterly basis. Be on the lookout for the News & Views to hit your inbox in July, October, January and April!
