
President's Message

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know how very excited I am to have the privilege of being the President for NHIMA for 2017/2018. This is a very exciting time for HIM professionals and our profession is one that continues to grow and change so rapidly. In my personal life, I am married to my high school sweetheart and we are the proud parents of four boys ages 13 to 6. We are a very active family that enjoys every moment we get together. My husband nor I have many hobbies as everything revolves around being a taxi or cheering on our boys in their favorite sports. In my professional life, I am the Executive Director and Privacy Officer for Faith Regional Health Services in Norfolk, NE. I have had the privilege of being in this role for 11 years. Change is constantly happening and I have had the advantage of embracing it all and impacting others to embrace it as well.

I would like to thank Dawn for her leadership and guidance this past year. As Dawn Goodsell mentioned in her message to everyone in June, there have been some transitions and changes in the Central Office. I would like to thank Kim Johnson for the enormous amount of work that she has done for the past several years for NHIMA. For anyone who has held a role on the board or other volunteer positions, you know that Kim's time, knowledge and resource was valuable beyond measure to the success of NHIMA and we are so fortunate that Samantha Kuhlmann has taken on this role as Central Office Coordinator and has been able to spend a lot of time with Kim learning the ropes. Thank you, Kim, for everything you have done for this profession in the state of Nebraska.

We are so excited to see the continued growth and look forward to enhancements and features that we can offer our members. As far as upcoming events and meetings, we will be working on the strategic plan in August. We look forward to setting some goals and expectations for this next year and are starting to have a lot of conversations about how we make your membership to NHIMA as valuable as it can be. This includes looking at new and exciting ways to educate whether it be virtual webinars, etc. In this age in technology, we need to use it to the highest potential so we are providing the largest benefit to all our members.

We also have three of our new board members attending Leadership through AHIMA this July. This is a very exciting time for them as they step into their new roles and this will help them understand the intricacies of being a board member and representative of NHIMA through AHIMA.

I could go on with many other exciting features happening in our HIM world, but will close with a few more thoughts. AHIMA plans to release in partnership with the Office of Civil Rights the release of information form they would like standardized across all healthcare industries. Their goal is to release this at the Leadership conference here in July. Please watch for more exciting information to come as we move forward in the days to come.

I am very much about transparency, ideas and finding solutions to problems and challenges together as ONE profession! Please know I am always available for you and please share anything you believe will enable our profession to continue to grow and prosper in this ever-changing world.

Courtney Burbach, RHIA
NHIMA Board of Directors President 2017-2018

Taking the Sting Out of Injection and Infusion Coding Webinar

The Coding Roundtable Committee has recorded a presentation– Take the Sting Out of Injection and Infusion Coding. To purchase the webinar, please go to <http://www.associationconnex.com/nhima-taking-sting-out/>. This webinar is less than 1 hour, 0.5 CEU and the cost is \$20.

Career Fairs

If anyone is aware of career fairs coming up in their area, please let the Professional Promotions Committee know. It would be a good way for us to promote NHIMA and the HIM profession. Please contact Michelle Shimmel at Michelle.shimmel@nebraskablue.com.



WPS GHA Medicare E-News Subscription

In the Winter issue of Communique, available on Wisconsin Physician Services website, they state that all providers are expected to subscribe to WPS GHA Medicare E-news. This is a free publication that brings you the latest Medicare news directly to your email inbox. There is no fee for this publication. You can sign up at

<https://corp-ws.wpsic.com/apps/commercial/unauth/medicareListservUserWelcomeLoadAction.do>

The Winter Communique includes MLN Matters #MM9888 which provided guidance on coding for Preventive Services, MLN Matters #MM9726, New Place of Service Code for Telehealth and Distant Site Payment Policy, MLN Matters #MM9905, Prolonged Services Without Direct Face-to-Face Patient Contact Separately Payable Under the Physician Fee Schedule, MLN #9923, and January 2017 Update of the Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment System.

Mary Meysenburg, MPA, RHIA, CCS
Chairman, NHIMA Coding Roundtable

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Annual Business Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the annual business meeting are now posted in the [Nebraska Engage Community](#) under the topic "Annual Reports & Annual Business Meeting Minutes."

Welcome!

New Members in June 2017:

- Gillian Howell, Ph.D
- Kay Worl
- Theresa Segan
- Jeanne Prucha, RHIT
- Emily Hooper

Congratulations to new credential holders:

- Luigia Felicella, RHIT
- Cheryl Boggs, RHIT
- Chelsea Moffett, CCS-P

NHIMA Contact Information:

Dates to Remember:

Board Members - Committee/TF Chairs
April 11-13, 2018 – NHIMA Annual Convention, Younes Conference Center, Kearney, NE
