

# News & Views

April 2011



## NHIMA Election Results

Congratulations to our newly elected officers for 2011-2012:

President- elect: Michelle Ilsley

Director: Donna Keller

Treasurer: Nancy Kinyoun

Nominating Committee: Katie Krause (chair), Michelle Shimmel, Malinda Stanley

## NHIMA Distinguished Member – Theresa Rihanek

Theresa has been an active member of NHIMA since 1995. She is also an active member of the OmahaHIMA. She received her BS in HIM, Business and Computer Information Management from the College of St. Mary and is currently pursuing her Master's Degree in Healthcare Administration.

She has worked as the Compliance Analyst at University Medical Associates in Omaha, Director of Medical Records at Memorial Community Hospital in Blair, DRG Coordinator at UNMC, Coordinator of Health Information Management at Clarkson College and is currently the APC Coordinator for Varis, LLC.

Within the NHIMA, Theresa has served as the chair of the Nominating Committee, chair of the Coding Roundtable, member of conference planning committees, speaker at NHIMA conferences and contributor to News & Views. She has been on the board as Director from 2009 to 2011.

While employed at Clarkson College in Omaha Theresa was a key player in obtaining certification for their HIM program. She developed the coding curriculum and taught online classes at the college.

In addition to her employment duties, Theresa has spent a great deal of time coordinating ICD-10 training for NHIMA members. She helped developed ICD-10 webinars and has done multiple presentations to membership. She is currently leading efforts to collaborate with the State of South Dakota to provide training for both states' members.

As a member of the NHIMA Board Theresa attends all meetings and provides valuable input in discussions. She is very passionate about her profession and is always willing to share her expertise. She truly goes the extra mile to make sure all coders have the tools to do their jobs accurately and with confidence.

## Anatomy & Physiology with ICD-10 Webinar Series: Gynecology Procedures

NHIMA has teamed up with South Dakota Health Information Management Association to provide our membership with anatomy and physiology education as well as associated ICD-10 information. Our first webinar will discuss gynecological procedures and related ICD-10 procedure coding. We are pleased to have Dr. Leishman-Barb from the University of Nebraska Medical Center and Theresa Rihanek, AHIMA Approved ICD-10-CM/PCS trainer to discuss this topic. The webinar will be presented on Tuesday, May 3, 2011 from 12:00 - 1:45 PM CST.

The cost for each site listening in on the webinar will be \$85, which is a great value for this type of education. Each site may have as many listeners as they would like for just one session fee (all listening in on the same conference line). Each listener will receive 2 CEU hours for the webinar. If you have questions, please contact Michelle Ilsley at [milsley@nebraskamed.com](mailto:milsley@nebraskamed.com) or Julie Huwe at [Julie.Huwe@avera.org](mailto:Julie.Huwe@avera.org).

To register for the session, go to [www.nhima.org/events.htm](http://www.nhima.org/events.htm).





## 2011 Privacy Guide Now Available

The 2011 Privacy Guide for Privacy, Retention and Disclosure of Health Information is now available for free to all NHIMA members. It is also available for non-members at a fee of \$250. The order form and instructions are available at [www.nhima.org](http://www.nhima.org).

## Free Webinar – From Point A to Point ICD

AHIMA has provided a free webinar to members and nonmembers entitled “From Point A to Point ICD: Successfully Implementing ICD-10”. This webinar examines implementation tasks on a timeline to identify what can be, and what must be, done to prepare for the switch. Hear from healthcare leaders about their accomplishments and benchmark how you’re doing compared to their efforts and national survey data. The webinar outlines the risks of delayed implementation and explore available AHIMA ICD-10-CM/PCS resources to aid your transition.

<https://www.ahimastore.org/ProductDetailAudioSeminars.aspx?ProductID=15045>

## Region II

In February, 2011, the NHIMA- Region II was officially dissolved. Region II was organized in 1972 and encompassed a 26-county area in Northeast Nebraska. Over the past few years, there has been a dramatic decrease in involvement in the NHIMA Region II Association. Professional/personal obligations, time constraints, difficulty obtaining speakers and/or locations for meetings are just a few obstacles the officers and active members confronted.

Region II has donated its’ remaining funds of \$827.34 To the NHIMA. The money will be used toward ICD-10 education/training. It was felt designating the funds for this area would benefit the largest number of NHIMA members, as the impending ICD-10 regulations affect all levels of healthcare facilities.

Thank you to all past members of Region II who have dedicated their time and talent to promote the Health Information Management profession.

## Need help navigating the CoP?

You can find help guides, the two minute videos, and cheat sheets in at the following links:

[http://www.ahima.org/help/help\\_guides.aspx](http://www.ahima.org/help/help_guides.aspx)

<http://www.ahima.org/help/copvideos.aspx>

## NHIMA Vests

Ordering info at [www.nhima.org](http://www.nhima.org) and click on Market Place. ➤ ➤ ➤

## NHIMA Scholarship Applications Due July 31st

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



## NHIMA Members Enjoying the Social Event...



**NHIMA Contact Information** [Board Members](#) - [Committee/Task Force Chairs](#) - [Region Chairs](#)

**Dates to Remember:** May 3, 2011 – Gynecology Procedures and Related ICD-10-PCS Coding Webinar  
April 18-20, 2012 – NHIMA Annual Convention

