

News & Views

March 2013

Race for Implementation.....

2013 NHIMA Annual Convention ❖ Kearney Holiday Inn ❖ April 17-19, 2013

It's here.....the link to register for the 2013 NHIMA Annual Convention! This year's program, "Race for Implementation" is packed full of excellent and relevant topics and tremendous speakers. Take a look at the program brochure. This is a Convention you will NOT want to miss!! Hope to see you there!



<http://knowledgeconnex.com/nhima/annualmeeting/home.html>

NHIMA 2012-2013 Annual Report

The 2012-2103 NHIMA Annual Report is now available on the Nebraska CoP for your review. Click on Topic "Annual Reports." The Annual Report was also distributed with the March issue of News & Views via email to members.

NHIMA Proposed Bylaws Revision

The NHIMA Board will be presenting revised bylaws for approval at the annual meeting in April 2013. The revision was drafted by the NHIMA Bylaws Committee using AHIMA's CSA template and our current NHIMA bylaws. The revision is a comprehensive revision from the current bylaws. The reason for the change is to align NHIMA bylaws with AHIMA bylaws and update to current NHIMA practices.

On October 2, 2011, the AHIMA House of Delegates adopted new bylaws that strategically align with best practices and comply with corporate, federal and state law. There were some inconsistencies in the old AHIMA bylaws that needed to reflect current practice such as; fiduciary responsibility of the board members, roles and responsibilities of the House of Delegates, compliance with changes in corporate, federal and state (Illinois) laws.

The Board of Directors recommended a final revision in Article V Board of Directors, 5.3 Qualifications. This revision was due to the difficulties in finding willing and qualified candidates for the President Elect position. Revisions were posted on the CoP, comments were entertained and considered. The Board reviewed at the March 1, 2013 conference call and approved final revisions and sent to AHIMA. The final version was posted on the CoP March 6, 2013. Click on Topic "NHIMA Bylaws". The final version was also distributed with the March issue of News & Views via email to members.

NHIMA Bylaw Revisions will be presented and voted upon at the annual meeting on April 18, 2013.

Networking Nook

The Professional Promotions and Recruitment Committee is working diligently to explore various ways to promote the HIM profession and our NHIMA members. One of the avenues selected is to have a feature in the NHIMA News and Views called "Networking Nook." We are asking for membership input on a specific NHIMA member who may have a new or unique job position or has undertaken new challenges utilizing their health information management skills and talents. If you know of anyone who would make a great "Networking Nook" story, please submit your suggestions to nhimappc@gmail.com so the committee can compile this information for a News and Views article.

NHIMA Election

The NHIMA Election will be held electronically March 18th through April 6th. Please remember to vote! Instructions for you to cast your vote are as follows: login to MyAHIMA member login at www.ahima.org and click on "Voting Ballot" link. The link will be available only during the election period for active members. Contact kim@consulthi.com for assistance.

CMS ICD-10 Implementation Recommendation

HHS responds to AHIMA's letter of recommendation for continued progress toward ICD-10 implementation and maintains their commitment to the October 1, 2014 ICD-10-CM/PCS compliance date. To view the response letter, go [here](#).



Free HIT Pro exams available for a limited time

Through April 1, Health Information Technology Professional (HIT Pro) competency exams are available at no charge. Each of the six HIT Pro exams pertains to a specific HIT workforce role instrumental in the process of achieving meaningful use of electronic health record systems. The six exams are:

- [Clinician/practitioner consultant](#)
- [Implementation manager](#)
- [Implementation support specialist](#)
- [Practice workflow & information management redesign specialist](#)
- [Technical/Software support staff](#)
- [Trainer](#)

The Commission on Certification for Health Informatics & Information Management will award credentials to all individuals who pass a HIT Pro exam. Order your free HIT Pro voucher through the [AHIMA Store](#). Sign in with your AHIMA ID or create an AHIMA account to complete your order.

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.



Click [here](#) to see Medicaid bulletins regarding provider preventable conditions.

2013 Convention Exhibitors [HealthPort](#)

[Wahitek](#)

[Tri-State Electronics](#)

[Clarkson College](#)

NHIMA Contact Information:

Dates to Remember:

Board Members - Committee/Task Force Chairs

March 14, 2013 – ICD-10-CM for the Medical Office, North Platte
April 17-19, 2013 – NHIMA Annual Convention – Kearney, NE
April 16-18, 2014 – NHIMA Annual Convention – Kearney, NE

Virtual Education

Mamma Mia! ICD-10 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.

