

IHIMA Newsletter

Indiana Health Information Management Association

December 2018

IHIMA Updates

IHIMA Nominating & Credentials Committee News

Soon the IHIMA Nominating & Credentials (N&C) Committee will be in search of volunteers interested in having their names placed on the 2019-2020 IHIMA Board of Directors ballot. Do you have what it takes to lead the association into a strong future? Please consider sharing your knowledge, expertise, and leadership skills that will provide strong leadership for IHIMA in the years ahead. Consider placing your name on the ballot!

The 2019-2020 IHIMA Board year will run from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. Nominees must be a member of AHIMA. The N&C Committee will need to fill the following board positions:

- President-Elect (need at least 2 candidates)
- Delegate (need at least 2 candidates)
- Secretary (need at least 2 candidates)
- N&C Committee Members (need at least 3 candidates)

Nominees need previous board experience to run for President-Elect and Delegate. The best way to gain this board experience is to run for Secretary or by being appointed as Chair to one of the IHIMA Board Committees.

To learn more about the different board position's roles and responsibilities click [here](#). Job procedures can also be sent to those interested in a board position. Have questions? Contact the Nominating & Credentials Chair or Committee members at:

- N&C Committee Chair: Tracey Tomak: ttomak@intersecthealthcare.com
- N&C Committee Member: Brenda Kupecky: bmkupecky@yahoo.com
- N&C Committee Member: Alisa Hayes: hayesalisa11@gmail.com



Stay Connected with IHIMA!

Make sure you receive all IHIMA's communications! By designating Indiana as your Component State Association (CSA), you connect with peers on a state level through activities, elections, education, events, and networking. CSAs also serve as an important forum for communicating national matters and keeping members informed of regional matters that affect the HIM profession. Don't miss out on this benefit! YOUR benefit! Make sure your current email address and mailing address is in AHIMA's membership profile database at [myAHIMA](#). Then, under 'Personal Profile', scroll down to the bottom under 'Other Communication', check 'CSA Email' and 'CSA Mail'. Remember to 'OPT-IN' to receive all IHIMA communications!

Connect with IHIMA



***IHIMA's Annual Meeting
is April 8th & 9th 2019
at Embassy Suites
Conference Center in
Noblesville, IN
(#IHIMA19)***

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Write an article for the IHIMA Newsletter!

You are encouraged to submit an article for possible publication in the IHIMA Newsletter!

Submit questions/articles to:
ihimahim@outlook.com



Visit AHIMA's [Engage Online Communities](#) for discussions and content on topics important to HIM professionals.

Have a question related to Indiana? Join the Indiana Engage Community at [Indiana Engage Community](#) and remember to check back often!



The 2019 IHIMA Annual Meeting News

Embassy Suites Conference Center at Noblesville is IHIMA's meeting space and hotel accommodations. Embassy Suites is located just northeast of Indianapolis off I-69, exit 210. The hotel provides free parking and in-room Wi-Fi, along with a complimentary breakfast and a nightly Evening Reception with complimentary light appetizers and beverages. If you are coming to the meeting and staying overnight, contact the hotel directly to make a reservation. Be sure to mention you are a part of the IHIMA meeting! [Click here](#) to find out more information. The discounted hotel rate expires March 25, 2019.

Find Annual Meeting updates on the website and social media sites:

[IHIMA Website](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#), [Indiana Engage Community](#) (#IHIMA19)

Do you work with a vendor, or know a vendor, who would be interested in purchasing booth space or sponsoring meal functions, meeting materials, and/or scholarships at the Annual Meeting? Find exhibitor registration and sponsorship opportunities [here](#).

This is a "Super Hero" event exhibitors won't want to miss!!

IHIMA Board Bullets

The IHIMA Board of Directors met on Friday, November 9th from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. EST. The following includes the highlights of the meeting:

- 1) IHIMA Delegates who attended the House of Delegates (HoD) meeting in Miami, FL reported the emphasis was on: number of delegates who attend the HoD meeting, Environmental Scanning, and AHIMA's Apprenticeship Program.
- 2) The Annual Meeting Committee reported the venue contract has been signed with Embassy Suites Noblesville, IN. Vendor registration will be opened soon. Attendee registration will open the first of the year, once the agenda is finalized. Stay Tuned! Targeted Annual Meeting updates will be in the monthly newsletters.
- 3) There was discussion around sending out a member survey regarding new quarterly coding education through IHIMA.
- 4) The board has received applications for the Student Liaison position. Two applicants were selected and will start attending the board meetings.
- 5) The Communications Committee reported the HIM Awareness Flyer has been distributed to high school guidance counselors, Informatics and Data Analytics was highlighted in the October newsletter, and there is continued activity on the IHIMA social media platforms.
- 6) The Legislative Committee reported progress with their collaboration with the Indiana Hospital Association (IHA) regarding the issues relative to the Medical Records Charging Law and the fee schedule changes. The committee is exploring a "State House Day" for members.

Update your myAHIMA Profile Today!!

To continue receiving IHIMA communications, it is important for you to update your contact information located on your myAHIMA profile.

Please visit www.ahima.org to update your information today!



Ask the IHIMA Board!

Have a membership-related question?

E-mail us!

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NEW JOBS ON AHIMA CAREER ASSIST: JOB BANK

[Click here to see the opportunities!](#)

[IHIMA Job Board](#)



You bring a unique set of skills and personality traits to any workplace. You have the education, experience and drive to succeed. You just need that next great opportunity to put it all on display.

Visit AlliedHealthCareers.com to post your resume and find the kind of opportunities that will allow you to stand out from the crowd.

Visit [MB&CC](#) For medical billing and coding jobs.

Student Liaisons Selected to Serve on the IHIMA Board

Congratulations to Justin Carter, an Ivy Tech Indianapolis student, and Yvonne Parker, an IUPUI student!! Justin and Yvonne will be serving as board representatives to the HIT/HIM students within the state and obtaining input from their fellow students. They will be representing the student voice throughout Indiana. The IHIMA Board of Directors look forward to working with Justin and Yvonne this board year!

AHIMA's Envisioning Collaborate Team – Delegate News

Typically, the Envisioning Collaborate Team is responsible for the publication of the annual Environmental Scan Report. The 2018 Environmental Scan Report was issued and shared with the AHIMA Board in January 2018. Because of AHIMA's mid-year scanning with the CSAs and with external subject matter experts, it was decided that this team does not need to publish a report for January 2019. The team will be working on other environmental scanning initiatives.

The Indiana Delegates are here for members and to advocate for, and help advance, the profession. Please continue to share your feedback with your delegates! Your 2018-2019 IHIMA Delegates are: Renee Meunier = rmeunier115@gmail.com, Jennifer Osborne = josborne1@r1rcm.com, Lynette Thom = lynettethom@gmail.com, Nicole Van Andel = nvanande@iupui.edu, and Jacquie Villarreal = jacquelynconverset@gmail.com

IHIMA Regional Association Updates

Become involved with your Regional Association, refer to IHIMA's region breakdown at <https://www.ihima.org/regions/> to see which region you belong to. Don't hesitate to email your region with questions!

Northern Indiana Health Information Management Association (NIHIMA)

Did you know the northern region has a website? Stay connected with them at <http://nihima.com/>. Or, you can email them at nihima15@yahoo.com with any questions.

Central Indiana Health Information Management Association (CIHIMA)

Are you in the central regional area? Want to know how you can become involved in your region? Contact them at 2017CIHIMA@gmail.com.

Southern Indiana Health Information Management Association (SIHIMA)

If you're part of the southern region and have comments or questions, contact SIHIMA at jthomas@vinu.edu.

Share Your Expertise with IHIMA!

IHIMA is searching for HIM industry experts like YOU to speak at the Indiana regional and/or state levels! Presentations typically are 60-minutes and is worth 1 CEU for participants. IHIMA welcomes HIM professionals, educators, and new graduates the opportunity to share your expertise and insights with fellow HIM professionals around the state.

Interested or have questions? Contact IHIMA at ihimahim@outlook.com or [click here](#) to complete IHIMA's speaker bureau.

Advocacy Action Center

To learn more about current Federal & Indiana legislation, [click here](#) to go to AHIMA's Advocacy Action Center.
[Find more info here too.](#)

Topics for the Newsletter

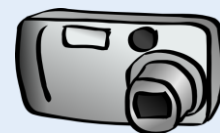
We would like to know what you would like to have included in your newsletter! If you have topics of interest, please send your ideas to us at: ihimahim@outlook.com

HIM/HIT Programs

Let us know what your students are doing in the classroom. Send pictures and/or information to ihimahim@outlook.com

Photograph Disclaimer

Please note IHIMA routinely photographs and videotapes events. These images may be used in print, visual presentations, and on the website to promote activities. If you do not wish yourself to be photographed, please let the photographer know at that time.



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Coding Corner - Cancer Coding Tips

By Kathy Craig, RHIA, CCS, RCS – Quality Expert, Facility Coding Quality, I U Health

This month, I am going to address a couple of tips that may help you in coding cancer cases.

Here are a few common scenarios that can change DRG and/or SOI/ROM.

The term “metastatic” or “mets” can be ambiguous to coders. We long for the provider to write: “*The primary Cancer site is _____ and it has metastasized to _____.*”

In all my years in coding, I don’t know if I ever remember seeing it documented like this. Over the years, I have learned a few tips that have saved me a lot of time and frustration.

1. The term: “metastatic” in front of an organ is telling us the *organ* is the primary site. Examples:

Pt. admitted for Metastatic RUL lung cancer. There is no mention of what the metastatic site is.

Pdx: C3411 Malignant Neoplasm of upper lobe, right bronchus or lung

The term metastatic means the cancer has gone elsewhere in the body. If you cannot locate the documentation in the visit to tell you the site, it can still be coded to

Sdx: C799 Secondary malignant neoplasm of unspecified site

Here is how it changes the DRG/SOI/ROM:

Without coding the metastasis:

DRG 182 Respiratory Neoplasms w/o CC/MCC RW.7951

SOI/ROM: 1/1 Minor Severity of Illness and Minor Risk of Mortality

With coding the metastasis:

DRG 181 Respiratory Neoplasms w CC RW 1.1409

SOI/ROM: 2/2 Moderate Severity of Illness and Moderate Risk of Mortality

2. Many times the patient is here for something else and this takes the focus away from the Cancer coding. For example:

Pt. admitted for atrial fibrillation with DM 2, acute respiratory distress, hypomagnesemia, and LUL adenocarcinoma sp radiation therapy. Pt given IV diltiazem for rate control.

Pdx: I48.91 Unspecified atrial fibrillation

Sdx: E119 DM 2 without complication

R0603 Acute Respiratory Distress

E8342 Hypomagnesemia

C3412 Malignant neoplasm of upper lobe, left bronchus or lung CC

Without coding the Lung Cancer:

DRG 310 Cardiac Arrhythmia and Conduction Disorder RW .5625

SOI/ROM: 2/2 Moderate Severity of Illness and Moderate Risk of Mortality

With coding the Lung Cancer:

DRG 309 Cardiac Arrhythmia and Conduction Disorder w CC RW .7772

SOI/ROM: 2/3 Moderate Severity of Illness and Major Risk of Mortality

Note the shift from moderate to major risk of mortality!

The documentation was focused around the heart. There was very little about the lung cancer. However, the chest xray still identified the mass in LUL. It was still being followed by Dr. Oncologist as an outpatient. The confusion for the coder is the term *s/p radiation therapy*. The coder may think, the lung cancer is gone. However, further review of the chart, indicates, the mass is still present.

A query may be in order, to clarify the status of the lung cancer. Be sure and include, the provider’s documentation s/p radiation therapy and the CXR findings.

In summary, it is worth the extra time to peruse for cancer documentation specificity. With each chart that has a diagnosis of cancer, be sure and thoroughly check for the status of the cancer.

Submit Items to the IHIMA Newsletter, YOUR Newsletter!

This newsletter belongs to you and is an excellent source of communication! If you would like to submit information to be included in a future publication or if you would like to let the membership know what is going on with you or your facility and employees, please don’t hesitate to send a submission or questions to IHIMA at ihimahim@outlook.com. Generally, articles should be no more than 200 words, however, longer articles will be considered.

IHIMA Communications Committee News



The Indiana Health Information Management Association's Facebook page has received over 470 'Likes' and 'Follows'! Our sincerest thanks to all! Join us and find the latest activity, news, and events affecting Indiana HIM/HIT professionals! [IHIMA's Facebook Page](#)

Find us at IHIMA HIM if you already have a Facebook page. New to Facebook? Sign up at <https://www.facebook.com> then click "Create a New Account". It's that easy!

Credential Recertification Reminder!

A reminder for those with a recertification cycle ending December 31, 2018, the Standards for Recertification of the Commission on Certification for Health Informatics and Information Management (CCHIIM) require that you complete recertification requirements by your cycle end date. Requirements include:

- Payment of your recertification fee, and
- Recording of your continuing education units (CEUs), and
- If applicable, completion of annual self-reviews (for coding credentials only).

We encourage you to log into your AHIMA CEU Center (<https://my.ahima.org>) now to review your CEUs and, if applicable, self-review progress. From your AHIMA CEU Center you can also verify your recertification cycle dates to determine if you are due to renew by the end of this year. To find out more about credential recertification click [here](#).

REMINDER: There is no more need to "report" CEUs at the end of your cycle! On the last day of your two-year recertification cycle, your account will automatically be reviewed and will roll over to your next two-year recertification cycle if all recertification requirements have been met.



AHIMA Announcement: Revisions to Previously Published Implementation Date for Recertification Cycle Revisions and CEU Reporting Domains

The recertification timeline cycle changes and new CEU domains that were previously published to become effective on November 1, 2018 have been delayed by the Certification Department at AHIMA to ensure strategic alignment and an effective, error-free implementation.

The previously published information was approved by the Commission on Certification of Health Informatics and Information Management (CCHIIM) and allowed for an individual to report in the CEU Center (starting on November 1, 2018) using either the new domains or under the existing domains until December 31, 2019. The revised plan will be to use only the new domains starting on January 1, 2020. Find more information [here](#).

Newly Credentialed IHIMA Members

Congratulations on earning your AHIMA professional credentials! Here are the newly credentialed Indiana members from last month!

CCA

Judy Griffin, CCA
Jayara Lamb, CCA

CCS

Terri Gogel, CCS
Nichole Hight, CCS
Nubia Thomason, CCS

RHIT

Katarzyna Kostelyk, RHIT

RHIA

Joshua Fabugais, RHIA
Beth Greenberg, RHIA

Find Indiana's newly credentialed professionals who earned an AHIMA credential within the last year here:
<https://my.ahima.org/pages/certification/newlycredentialed.aspx>

SPECIAL E-ALERT



November 9, 2018

SECURING OUR FUTURE

Announcing AHIMA's Vision for Transformation & 2019 Strategic Plan

Dear AHIMA Members,

A strong healthcare ecosystem requires the skills of the HIM professional. With rapid changes due to trends in technology, proliferation of data, consumer access, and more, healthcare organizations are assessing the impact upon operations.

Recognizing the challenges and potential opportunities before us, the AHIMA Board of Directors has been working to develop a plan to increase our long-term viability and relevance. In doing so, we've asked for input from members, staff, and the industry. Our goal? To envision a multiyear transformation process so that AHIMA, our members, and other stakeholders can solve the big problems that we are uniquely positioned to address.

Read more [here](#).

IHIMA's Response to AHIMA's Vision for Transformation & 2019 Strategic Plan

By Lynette Thom, RHIA, CCS, CDIP 2018-19 President, IHIMA Executive Board of Directors

AHIMA leadership (Diann Smith, MS, RHIA, CHP, FAHIMA, 2018 AHIMA Board President/Chair, and Wylecia Wiggs Harris, PhD, CAE, AHIMA Chief Executive Officer) published a [memo](#) announcing AHIMA's intentions for AHIMA's changes to its strategic plan, both short-term and long-term. Additionally, on Nov. 15, 2018, Desla Mancilla DHA, RHIA, the Sr. Director of Academic Affairs in the AHIMA Foundation presented an update on the 2019 AHIMA strategic plan to the AHIMA CEE Work Group.

IHIMA leadership has reviewed and discussed the memo and would like to respond to our members as a way of communicating our receipt of this memo and how the change in strategy impacts our membership.

Read more [here](#).

The Best IHIMA Social Media Posts Last Month

- 1) Interesting article about a new cell phone app launched by the FDA, the "MyStudies" app. This app will collect patient information. (LinkedIn: [Click here](#))
- 2) WHAT WAS: The AHIMA Convention and Exhibit - IS NOW: The AHIMA Health Data and Information Conference (LinkedIn: [Click here](#))
- 3) IHIMA's 71st Annual Meeting is April 8th & 9th, 2019 at Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center, 13700 Conference Center Drive South, Noblesville, IN! #IHIMA19 (LinkedIn: [Click here](#))
- 4) IHIMA had their board meeting today. Discussion was around member education, opportunities, and advancing the profession. Great things are in the works for our members! (Facebook: [Click here](#))
- 5) SAVE-THE-DATE! The next SIHIMA meeting will be Friday, February 15, 2019 at Shiloh United Methodist Church Family Life Center, 1971 IN-56, Jasper, IN. This meeting is being hosted by Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center, Jasper, IN. Presenters will be from Blue & Co., Indianapolis, IN. (Facebook: [Click here](#))
- 6) A little Privacy and Security humor! (Facebook: [Click here](#))
- 7) On November 8th CMS released a letter to clinicians outlining how the agency will be reducing clinician burden through reform of documentation and coding requirements. (Twitter: [Click here](#))
- 8) Great resource! This new CMS job aid compares the 2019 appeals process for Medicare Parts A, B, C and D, including the levels of appeal with corresponding timeframes. (Twitter: [Click here](#))
- 9) Cyber Monday Deal! Exhibitor Early Bird Registration is NOW OPEN for the IHIMA Annual Meeting! #IHIMA19 (Twitter: [Click here](#))
- 10) November IHIMA Newsletter (Indiana Engage Community: [Click here](#))

Recent News from AHIMA

[Announcing AHIMA's Transformation & 2019 Strategic Plan](#)
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AHIMA's Free Continuing Education Opportunities

AHIMA's webinars are live webinars where you are eligible for the CEUs whether you attend the day of the webinar or listen to the recording after the fact, as the replay. If you register for the replay, you will receive an email with a link to the replay following the live event.

Data Dive webinar - "Making the Leap" -- How HIM Professionals Can Take The Next Step in the Career...'. This is a FREE, 30-minute webinar worth .5 CEUs. (12/5/2018) ["Making the Leap" -- How HIM Professionals Can Take The Next Step in the Career... Webinar Registration](#)

Coffee and Coding – "Cranioplasty With Implant". This FREE, 30-minute webinar is worth .5 CEUs. (12/12/2018) [2018 Coffee and Coding Monthly Webinars Registration](#)

2019 AHIMA Webinars Now Available On Demand

AHIMA announced a new way to gain timely health information knowledge. 2019 AHIMA webinars will now be available on demand beginning January 14, 2019. Exceptions include Coffee & Coding series and Data Dive series, which will still be offered monthly for free. [Review the lineup and purchase ahead of time today.](#)

Calendar of Events

- 🚩 Apprenticeships: An Effective Workforce Planning Model for Employers - December 11, 2018, 1 p.m. EST
[Register here](#) (Time is running out for employers!)
- 🚩 IHIMA Delegate Webinar: HoD Forum - December 12, 2018, 3 p.m. EST
- 🚩 IHIMA Delegate Webinar: Envisioning Collaborative Team January 16, 2019, 3 p.m. EST
- 🚩 IHIMA Board of Directors Meeting – February 1, 2019, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. EST
- 🚩 HIMSS Conference & Exhibition, Orlando, FL - February 11-15, 2019 [More info here](#) (#HIMSS19)
- 🚩 SIHIMA Meeting, Shiloh United Methodist Church Family Life Center, Jasper, IN, February 15, 2019
- 🚩 IHIMA Delegate Webinar: House Leadership Team February 15, 2019, 3 p.m. EST
- 🚩 IHIMA Delegate Webinar: HoD Forum March 13, 2019, 3 p.m. EST
- 🚩 Health Information Professionals (HIP) Week - March 24-30, 2019 - **SAVE THE DATE!** (#HIPWEEK19)
- 🚩 AHIMA Advocacy Summit (formerly known as Hill Day) March 25-26, 2019 - **SAVE THE DATE!**
- 🚩 IHIMA Annual Meeting, Noblesville, IN - April 8-9, 2019 – **SAVE THE DATE!** (#IHIMA19)
- 🚩 IHIMA Delegate Webinar: Envisioning Collaborative Team April 12, 2019, 3 p.m. EST
- 🚩 IHIMA Delegate Webinar: House Leadership Team May 15, 2019, 3 p.m. EST
- 🚩 IHIMA Delegate Webinar: All Delegate Meeting June 12, 2019, 3 p.m. EST
- 🚩 AHIMA CSA Leadership Symposium, Chicago, IL – July 12-13, 2019
- 🚩 2019 AHIMA Convention & Exhibit, Chicago, IL – September 14-18, 2019 - **SAVE THE DATE!** (#AHIMACon19)