

IHIMA Newsletter

Indiana Health Information Management Association

March 2019

IHIMA's 71st Annual Meeting Highlights!

The IHIMA 2019 Annual Meeting is next month!! Here's some highlights of this year's meeting.... Hope to see you there!

CONFERENCE: The 71st IHIMA Annual Meeting is at [Embassy Suites by Hilton Noblesville Conference Center](#), 13700 Conference Center Drive South, Noblesville, Indiana. Embassy Suites is located on the north side of Indianapolis, just off I-69, exit 210. This new venue has spacious meeting rooms for attendees, a designated area for exhibitors, and overnight hotel accommodations.

HOTEL: Attendees who are traveling to the area have the convenience of staying onsite at the meeting location. Embassy Suites offers free in-room Wi-Fi, complimentary parking, and nearby shopping and restaurants at [Hamilton Town Center](#). Overnight rooms also include a full hot breakfast and complimentary evening reception each night with drinks and snacks. Contact the hotel directly to make a reservation. Be sure to mention you are a part of the IHIMA meeting. [Click here](#) to make your reservation online or call the hotel at (317) 674-1900. [The discounted hotel rate expires March 25, 2019.](#)

MEETING: This year's Annual Meeting is April 8th & 9th, Monday & Tuesday. Network with your colleagues and other healthcare professionals throughout the state of Indiana for an exciting two-day meeting that features speakers and topics you won't want to miss.

[Online registration will close at 11:59 PM EST on April 1, 2019.](#) On-site registration will be available, but the registration fee will increase.

AGENDA: Monday's agenda tracks are Grab Your Mask & Cape (designed especially for HIM students), Fighting Fraud, and Protecting the Innocent. Tuesday, designed for Coders and Directors, includes inpatient, outpatient, and director tracks. See the [online agenda](#) for more details.

MEETING MATERIALS: All speaker materials will be provided electronically in lieu of printed handouts. Access to speaker presentations will be available to download prior to the meeting to print or save to an electronic device. IHIMA is also offering an Annual Meeting Mobile App. Complimentary Wi-Fi is available in all meeting rooms.

CONTINUING EDUCATION: There will be 5.5 CEUs available on Monday and 6 CEUs available on Tuesday with an additional 1 CEU available for visiting the exhibit hall. Total of 12.5 CEUs!

CAREER FAIR: All attendees are welcomed to visit the career fair on Tuesday, April 9th from 10:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. Remember to bring copies of your resume!

FREE MASSAGES: Attendees are welcome to a 10-minute complimentary neck and back massage on Monday and Tuesday. Monday's massage hours are 11:15 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Tuesday's massage hours are 10:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m. Note: Due to time constraints and the number of attendees, massages will be a maximum of 10 minutes.

EXHIBITOR HALL: The exhibitor showcase will be located outside of the Clearwater Ballroom. One CE credit will be earned by visiting the exhibitors for a minimum of one hour. Exhibit hours are Monday 9:45 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. and Tuesday 7:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

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

Submit questions/articles to:
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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!

EXHIBITOR RECEPTION: Join the exhibitor reception Monday, April 8, 2019, from 4:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Network, see the latest products & services available in the HIM industry, and make sure to thank them for their sponsorships that helped to make this important and valuable meeting possible!

PRIZES: Four \$50 VISA gift cards will be given away during the meeting: one per day to an early bird registrant and one per day to a pre-registrant. One door prize will be awarded to a business meeting attendee.

SOCIAL MEDIA: IHIMA will be posting updates, photos, and insights from the meeting on all IHIMA's social media sites – [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [LinkedIn](#). Follow along and participate too by using [#IHIMA19](#)!



Meet the Annual Meeting's Keynote Speaker: Jonathan Michael Bowman, J.D.

Jonathan's presentations are the result of heartfelt experience, critical thought and an unbridled passion to help others achieve their full potential.

Born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Jonathan is the last of four children, whose lives were enveloped in poverty and homelessness. By the time he was 17 years old, he and his family had lived in two homeless shelters, a church, a small fourth-floor attic, public housing projects and a hotel, among many other places.

However, with his determination to ascend from poverty unaffected, he earned his G.E.D. and obtained an associate's degree in English and Communications at Allegheny Community College. He went on to earn his bachelor's degree in Journalism and Communications from Point Park University where he graduated Cum Laude. Jonathan then attended and graduated from Ohio State University College of Law.

He then practiced law at the Ohio Attorney General's Office. During his 12-year career there, he served in a variety of leadership posts, including Deputy Attorney General and Section Chief. He led several departments to achieve success. As a result, he was a recipient of the Ohio Attorney General's Innovation and Excellence Award in 2005.

Jonathan is also an avid photographer. Pictures have intrigued him ever since he was a child. While growing up, drawing pictures provided him with an escape from his life of poverty. Later in life he became hooked on photography when he happened upon a 35mm camera and looked through the viewfinder. He was so enthralled that he studied photography as part of his undergraduate major in communications.

Today Jonathan serves as CEO of Clear Picture Leadership®. He uses lessons learned from his childhood, leadership skills honed throughout his career and the inspiration embodied in his artwork to encourage leaders to achieve a "clear picture" vision. As Jonathan says, "Picturing your destination is the first step to achieving something great." Sometimes leaders are tempted to cast aside an imaginative vision because it is deemed "unrealistic." Yet – as his tagline says – Jonathan challenges leaders with "a different perspective: Where imagination and reality meet™".

Please join us at the **IHIMA Annual Meeting** on Monday, April 8th where Jonathon will be presenting "The Fine Art of People Power".

Learn more about Jonathon here: www.ClearPictureLeadership.com

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.

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For medical billing and coding jobs.

Network through Volunteering and Participating!

Looking for a good way to network? Network through volunteering and participating at this year's Annual Meeting!

IHIMA needs volunteers to make the 2019 Annual Meeting a success. The Annual Meeting Committee is looking for dedicated individuals to help with the following tasks on Monday, April 8th and/or Tuesday, April 9th:

- Registration: Electronically check-in attendees and hand out badges.
- Introducing Speakers: Read pre-typed bios to the audience prior to speakers taking stage.
- Speaker Liaison: Welcome speakers to the meeting and escort them to the appropriate speaking room.
- Runner: Perform tasks as needed.

Each commitment will only take a short amount of your time. You will not miss the opportunity to listen to the amazing speakers or lose any CE hours.

Find out more information [here](#). Questions? Contact Alyson Stichter at a.stichter@ibm.com.

IHIMA Board Bullets

The IHIMA Board of Directors met on Friday, February 1st from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. EST. The following includes the highlights of the meeting:

- 1) The Nominating & Credentials Committee reported the nominees for consideration for the open Board of Directors positions for the 2019-2020 IHIMA Ballot. The board approved the nominees. Election information will be emailed to members soon.
- 2) A survey was created and distributed to gauge membership interest in a Coding Round Table in Indiana. More information about this will come soon.
- 3) The Annual Meeting Committee reported the keynote speaker is confirmed, the agenda is built, the career fair is set, and biographies are being collected from speakers. Also, WebEx presentations for CEUs are currently being explored. There's also many students planning to attend the Annual Meeting this year.
- 4) The Delegates reported attending webinars for the Envisioning Collaborate Team and the House of Delegates Forum. The Delegates also voted to approve the new AHIMA Code of Ethics.
- 5) The Communications Committee reported continued activity on the IHIMA social media platforms, i.e., Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter. Also, promoting Annual Meeting, Sponsorships, Achievement Awards, and promoted Board Nominations on social media and newsletter.
- 6) The Legislative Committee reported progress with their collaboration with the Indiana Hospital Association (IHA) regarding a "State House Day" for members.

IHIMA Student Liaison Update

By Justin Carter and Yvonne Parker, IHIMA Student Liaisons

One of the primary benefits of having a student membership with IHIMA, is the opportunity to interact with experienced professionals in the HIM field. The student liaison holds the best position to help facilitate this interaction. One of the main goals we had when being selected for this position was to strengthen and widen the avenue of communication between the student(s) and the IHIMA executive board. By doing this it gives the students a reservoir of experience to tap in to for questions relating to studies, experiences, and possible employment opportunities.

As your student liaison(s) we plan on working with existing student chapters to ensure that topics being discussed at the executive meetings are being streamlined to the students. These topics will include current and proposed changes within our field, upcoming events, benefits of becoming an IHIMA member for new and interested students, and possible opportunities to gain CEU's. We look forward to this upcoming year, as well as meeting everyone at the upcoming IHIMA Annual Conference, on April 8-9.

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

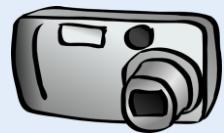
We would like to know what you would like to have included in your newsletter! If you have topics of interest, please send your ideas to us at: ihimahim@outlook.com

HIM/HIT Programs

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

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IHIMA Student Academic Scholarship Recipients

By Lynette Thom, RHIA, CCS, CDIP, IHIMA President and Delegate

The Executive Board of Directors is excited to announce IHIMA scholarship recipients. This year IHIMA gave away two scholarships. Kylie Meeks is a student at Vincennes University and is a 2018-19 scholarship recipient. Rachel Palfi is a student at IUPUI and is this year's second recipient. IHIMA wishes this year's scholarship award beneficiaries the best in their classes!

2019-2020 IHIMA Board Election Coming Soon!



The 2019-2020 IHIMA Board Election for President Elect, Delegate, Secretary, and Nominating & Credentials Committee Members will open to IHIMA members soon! If you are an active IHIMA member, you are eligible to VOTE in the IHIMA election. Please consider supporting those IHIMA members who you think would be great leaders for IHIMA in 2019-2020!

Voting results are strictly confidential. Eligible IHIMA members will be entitled to vote. Watch your email for the opportunity to vote and help shape the association's future! Each candidate's biography will be included in the email for your review.

AHIMA's Virtual Hill Day - Complimentary Webinar

Interested in participating in AHIMA's Virtual Hill Day? Learn how you can be a voice for the health information management (HIM) profession! Join AHIMA's Government Relations Team as they explore the public policy issues AHIMA is focused on before Congress. Attendees will also learn how to contact their elected officials by phone, e-mail, or social media with a comprehensive walk-through of AHIMA's Advocacy Action Center on www.ahima.org.

Register [here](#) for this FREE webinar on March 21st at 1:00 p.m. EST. It's worth 2 CEUs!

Delegate's Report - AHIMA House Leadership Team Meeting February 15, 2019

By Lynette Thom, RHIA, CCS, CDIP, IHIMA President and Delegate

This month, AHIMA's House of Delegates' (HoD) House Leadership team came together for a webinar discussing current events in the House. The agenda included the following topics: Code of Ethics review, House Mid-Year Survey, Follow up to January Board of Directors Meeting – Mission & Vision Survey Summary, and Tennessee's Delegation Communication Model for Relevancy.

The turnout for the HoD for approval of the Code of Ethics was 66%, or 156 out of 236 delegates voted. The turnout for the HoD Mid-Year Survey was 27%, or 65 out of 236 delegates completed the survey. The turnout for the HoD Mission & Vision Survey was 36%, or 98 out of 272 delegates responded. Discussion was had that the goal is greater participation because the work that we do to assist AHIMA in achieving its goals is important. Some of the monumental changes to the healthcare ecosystem were discussed, including how AHIMA can lead and play a key role.

Tennessee offered their delegate communication model to the House, with a goal of adopting a communication method that will increase delegate response and support better communication between AHIMA and its members. Their plan includes implementation of regional delegate leaders (RDLs) that will facilitate communication between the CSAs and members and includes standard reporting strategy.

Finally, one of the HIMR initiatives has been dropped. CCHIM is not moving forward on creating specialty credentials for the RHIT credential. No more information was shared other than that the RHIT credential overhaul will not occur now.

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 2018-19 IHIMA Delegates are: Renee Meunier = rmeunier115@gmail.com, Jennifer Osborne = josborne1@rlrcm.com, Lynette Thom = lynnettethom@gmail.com, Nicole Van Andel = nvanande@iupui.edu, and Jacquie Villarreal = jacquelynconverset@gmail.com

Delegates Voted and Approved New AHIMA Code of Ethics

The House of Delegates recently completed an electronic vote on revisions to the AHIMA Code of Ethics. The Code was divided into two different documents (Principles and Guidelines), modernized and updated language, and added language to reflect students. An example of the new language includes moving from patients to consumers in the Guidelines. The vote on the AHIMA Code of Ethics passed the House.

The materials to the AHIMA Code of Ethics revisions are available on the State Leader and House of Delegates Engage Community at [House Vote: Revisions to the AHIMA Code of Ethics](#).

IHIMA Regional Association Updates

If you want to become involved with your Regional Association, refer to IHIMA's region breakdown [here](#) to see which region you belong to. If you are an HIM industry expert and would like to share your knowledge, or if you would like to volunteer to have an event held at your facility, don't hesitate to email your region's president!

Northern Indiana Health Information Management Association (NIHIMA)

The NIHIMA Spring 2019 Seminar date has been set! It's scheduled for Friday, March 29, 2019. Join them at St. Mary Medical Center in Hobart, IN. Find more information here: <https://nihima.com/>. Or contact them with questions at nihima15@yahoo.com. **Reminder:** 2019 Memberships are now available! (2018 Memberships have expired).

Central Indiana Health Information Management Association (CIHIMA)

CIHIMA is currently looking for people interested in participating on a committee or joining the board. E-mails will be sent soon with details about opportunities to volunteer and serve. If you don't already receive our e-mails, please send us your contact information. If you have an interest in knowing more or becoming more involved in the Central Indiana region, please feel free to contact us at 2017CIHIMA@gmail.com. We are also starting to plan a CEU event for May in Lafayette. We welcome volunteers to help with the planning process and participate as guest speakers. In an effort to be able to expand meeting locations throughout the region we need your input and assistance. We hope to hear from you soon!

Southern Indiana Health Information Management Association (SIHIMA)

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

Why you should get involved?

By Linda Galocy, MS, RHIA, FAHIMA, Program Chair and Clinical Associate Professor, Health Information Management Programs at Indiana University Northwest

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart" (Elizabeth Andrew, nd).

This quote really speaks to me because I, as well as most colleagues and friends I know, also do not have the time to volunteer. The demands of the workplace can get overwhelming and I often find that the line between home and work is blurred. Why should you get involved at the local level and why do I continue to be involved?

I belong to the Northern Indiana Regional Association (NIHIMA) and feel very lucky to be a part of this amazing group. When I made the move from Illinois to Indiana many years ago my first step in orientating myself to my region was to introduce myself to NIHIMA board members. This led me to various board positions, including the President of NIHIMA. This was an excellent starting point for me to become involved with the IHIMA and AHIMA.

I have always found that the most valuable reasons to volunteer is to grow your network. Networking has led me to job opportunities over the years. It gives me the ability to learn new skills or strengthen current skills, especially in the areas of leadership, project management, and communication. I have also developed some lasting friendships because of my commitment to volunteer.

Being a volunteer is certainly a time commitment, but I continue to learn so much about our profession, have made many great friends, and feel that I am making a mark in this profession.

Celebrate the 30th Annual Health Information Professionals (HIP) Week, March 24-30, 2019!



celebrating. Capture your activities during HIP Week and post messages, videos, and/or photos to IHIMA's Facebook page throughout the week. (<https://www.facebook.com/IHIMAOfficial/>) Don't forget to tag your posts with #HIPWeek19!

By sharing your HIP Week activities with IHIMA, you are automatically entered in a drawing. The winner receives a \$100 gift certificate to a restaurant of their choice so that the department can host a catered lunch.

HIP Week also coincides with AHIMA's Hill Day, where national HIM advocacy leaders come together on Capitol Hill to advance the health information profession. HIP Week is a great opportunity for HIM professionals to showcase the benefits of our profession, and collectively work to lead the way in health information. Help spread our message of awareness and pride by participating in HIP Week and using #HIPWeek19 in your social media posts!

For ideas on how to celebrate and to download the planning catalog and links to other helpful HIP Week items please go to: <http://www.ahima.org/events?tabid=hipweek>. If you have any questions, please let us know by emailing us at ihimahim@outlook.com.

Links to IHIMA Resources

IHIMA Website	https://www.ihima.org/
IHIMA Job Board	https://www.ihima.org/him-careers/job-board/
How to join IHIMA	https://www.ihima.org/members/
HIM Resources	https://www.ihima.org/resources/
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Indiana Engage Community	https://engage.ahima.org/home

Coding Corner - Using Pathology Reports for ICD-10-PCS

By Kathy Craig, RHIA, CCS – Quality Expert, Facility Coding Quality, IU Health

With the numerous Coding Clinics (CC) that pertain to using the Pathology (Path) report, we are all too familiar with the infrequency we may use the report. This article will focus on the inpatient side of things and when we can use it for PCS.

The latest CC for inpatient use of the Path report **ICD-10-CM**, was in 3Q 2016, p. 25-26. While the question asked for a re-examination of the Official Coding Guidelines and Reporting (Section III, B Abnormal Findings); Coding Clinic staff held fast to the rule, i.e. Path reports are not coded and reported from, unless the physician indicates their clinical significance. While there is an exception to this rule for X-rays, for specific site identification, there is no rule allowing us to code from the path for diagnostic purposes.

My question lies with PCS coding. I can think of 2 fairly common instances, where I have used the Pathology report to assist in assigning the PCS code. I could not find anything that contraindicated using the Path for these instances below.

The first case involves using it to determine the Root operation of Excision vs. Resection. When we have a Colectomy or Small bowel resection, it is often unclear if the physician's terminology is the same as ours. We can never assume, the surgeon is familiar with PCS terms, the PCS Coding Guidelines instructs us to be knowledgeable enough of the operation to assign the correct characters. The problem is when it comes to removing part or all of the intestine, jargon is often times very broad. For example: *Small bowel resection with primary anastomosis* is listed as the Operation performed. The body of the report does further specify the *jejunum* as the portion they resected. The report doesn't

really identify anything else other than there was a primary anastomosis done. In determining, whether they took all or just part of the jejunum, I turned to the Path report. The tissue is identified by cm in this case. The jejunum is about 1 m (100 cm) in length. The Path report indicates the small intestine specimen is 25 cm. Since this patient had no previous resection of the jejunum (or any part of the intestine), I think it is safe to assume, we did not take all of the jejunum. I would code this to Excision of jejunum rather than Resection of the jejunum.

The second case involves bronchoscopies with biopsies. The Path report can help us in this case determine whether it was a biopsy which removed fluid or tissue. The ICD-10-PCS Coding Guidelines do give us some guidance as it pertains to Fine Needle Aspiration Biopsy fluid of lung which is coded to Drainage. Another example is Biopsy of bone marrow which is coded to Extraction. The final example in the PCS guidelines is lymph node sampling for biopsy which is coded to Excision. In addition, CC has numerous examples that can be of assistance when determining if it is fluid, tissue or an extraction (brushings or aspiration) of tissue removal. Please note that the root operation "D" Extraction was added to several body systems in 4Q 2017, p. 41-42.

In a recent case, a patient had a transbronchial needle biopsy of the LUL of the lung. There was no indication if it was fluid, gas, or tissue, in the operative note. However, the Path report states: Lung, left upper lobe, transbronchial biopsy: noninflamed nonneoplastic lung tissue. While I cannot code the diagnosis from the Path, the PCS guidelines are silent on whether I can use the Path report or lab report, to determine if fluid or gas or tissue is removed. There was no cytology report in the Lab section of the chart that would support a fluid removal. I selected tissue in this case. This actually codes to the Root Operation of *Extraction*. In 2017, 4 Q CC, Extraction was added to numerous body part tables.

Of course, you are free to query the surgeon, in either of these cases, if you are unsure.

Do You Have an Idea for an AHIMA Practice Brief?

AHIMA practice briefs establish best practices for specific HIM functions in order to integrate HIM best practices into business and workflow processes in the healthcare industry. Do you have an idea for an area of HIM that needs a practice brief? Let AHIMA know by sending in an [idea submission form](#).

To find out whether a practice brief already exists for a topic, go to AHIMA's HIM Body of Knowledge at bok.ahima.org: Click "Advanced Search" and enter your keywords on the left; on the right, choose "AHIMA Practice Brief" from the Source list.

Newly Credentialed IHIMA Members

Congratulations to those Indiana members who successfully passed their credentials examination last month!

CCS

Mary Blevins, CCS

Sarah Jones, RHIT, CCS

CDIP

Kimberly DeHart, CCS, CCS-P, CDIP

RHIA

Lauren Palfi, 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>

CCHIIM Update on HIM Reimagined Certification Recommendation

Taken from AHIMA's weekly E-Alert for Feb 7, 2019:

At this time, the Commission on Certification for Health Informatics and Information Management (CCHIIM) has elected not to move forward with the [HIM Reimagined](#) (HIMR) recommendation for the RHIT+ certification.

CCHIIM understands that there is more than one way to designate specialty knowledge, such as through micro-credentialing or certificates instead of certifications. For this reason, and as a result of the concerns voiced by AHIMA members about a potential change to the existing RHIT certification, CCHIIM reached the conclusion to not move in the direction of the RHIT+ specialty credential.

CCHIIM's responsibility is to conduct the necessary research to validate all AHIMA certifications for the purpose of maintaining the highest industry standards related to our certifications. On an ongoing basis, CCHIIM will explore new and emerging ways, along with the traditional job analysis, to designate skills and knowledge for not only the RHIT, but for all AHIMA certifications.

The Best IHIMA Social Media Posts Last Month

- 1) The SIHIMA meeting is 2 WEEKS FROM TODAY! Join them on Friday, February 15th 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](#))
- 2) New job opportunity in Indiana! (Facebook: [Click here](#))
- 3) Impact Patient Care as a Certified Tumor Registrar! Cancer registrars are data information specialists who capture a complete history, diagnosis, treatment, and health status for every cancer patient in the US. The data provide essential information to researchers, healthcare providers, and public health officials to better monitor and advance cancer treatments, conduct research, and improve cancer prevention and screening programs. (Facebook: [Click here](#))
- 4) We've got a fantastic list of vendors/sponsors for the 2019 IHIMA Annual Meeting! Would you like to join them? Help HIM professionals enhance their super powers as they tackle the daily tasks of the HIM world! (LinkedIn: [Click here](#))
- 5) IHIMA will be hosting a Day at the Statehouse and a chance to meet your Legislators! Wednesday, March 13, 2019. 10am – 2pm. \$20.00 registration and lunch will be provided. 2 CE credits will be available. Registration information will be emailed to members soon. Registration will close on March 1, 2019. (LinkedIn: [Click here](#))
- 6) The 2019 IHIMA Annual Meeting exhibitors/sponsors list keeps growing! We have recently added Indiana University Northwest, Revint Solutions, WGU Indiana to our list! Thank you! Find out how you can be a part of this year's meeting too! (LinkedIn: [Click here](#))
- 7) RT: Health Information Professionals (HIP) Week is coming up March 24-30. #HIPWeek19 honors your contributions to a healthy, successful healthcare system. (Twitter: [Click here](#))
- 8) The next AHIMA Fellowship Application submission deadline is Friday, Feb 22nd. The Fellowship program is a program of earned recognition for AHIMA members who made significant and sustained contributions to our profession. (Twitter: [Click here](#))
- 9) Can't make it to the HIMSS Conference next week? Catch these six HIMSS19 sessions from anywhere via Facebook Live! #HIMSS19 (Twitter: [Click here](#))
- 10) RT: "CMS: Beyond the Policy" - Episode 1 is about Evaluation and Management Coding. (Twitter: [Click here](#))
- 11) NIHIMA Spring 2019 Seminar (Indiana Engage: [Click here](#))

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[Celebrate Health Professionals \(HIP\) Week, March 24–30!](#)

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AHIMA's Discounted Continuing Education Opportunities

AHIMA's 2019 Coffee and Coding series is a smart way to work through today's most challenging topics for both Coding and CDI. Each month, an AHIMA expert takes you through a focused, half hour curriculum that you can watch on your own time – on demand. The nominal fee of \$10.00 each helps ensure AHIMA covers the costs to produce these valuable segments now and in the future. [Register here](#) for these on demand webinars.

Calendar of Events

- Apprenticeships: An Effective Workforce Planning Model For Employers – March 12, 2019, 1 p.m. EST
[Register here](#) (Time is running out for employers!)
- IHIMA Delegate Webinar: HoD Forum March 13, 2019, 3 p.m. EST
- IHIMA Day at the Statehouse, March 13, 2019 *Onsite Registration Not Available*
- Health Information Professionals (HIP) Week - March 24-30, 2019 - [More info here](#) (#HIPWEEK19)
- AHIMA Advocacy Summit (formerly known as Hill Day) March 25-26, 2019 (#HIMAdvocate)
- NIHIMA Meeting, St. Mary Medical Center in Hobart, IN, March 29, 2019
- AHIMA Application to Serve – [Elected Volunteer Positions Applications](#) Due March 31, 2019
- IHIMA Annual Meeting, Noblesville, IN - April 8-9, 2019 – [Registration is Open!](#) (#IHIMA19)
- National Volunteer Week - April 7-13, 2019
- Apprenticeships: An Effective Workforce Planning Model For Employers – April 9, 2019, 1 p.m. EST
[Register here](#) (Time is running out for employers!)
- AHIMA's Annual Student Open House, Chicago, IL (On-Site & Virtual Event) April 12, 2019 [Register here](#)
- IHIMA Delegate Webinar: Envisioning Collaborative Team April 12, 2019, 3 p.m. EST
- AHIMA's Free Virtual Career Fair - April 25, 2019, Noon to 3 p.m. EST [Register here](#)
- Apprenticeships: A Tool for Your Career Pathway (Job Seeker) - May 14, 2019, 1 p.m. EST [Register here](#)
- IHIMA Delegate Webinar: House Leadership Team May 15, 2019, 3 p.m. EST
- AHIMA [Fellowship Applications](#) 2019 Submission Deadline – May 24, 2019
- AHIMA Triumph Awards Due – June 3, 2019 [More info here](#)
- Apprenticeships: An Effective Workforce Planning Model For Employers – June 11, 2019, 1 p.m. EST
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