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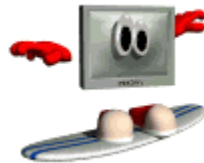
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INFORMATION MANAGEMENT: NAVIGATING THE SEAS of CHANGE.






Jacque Jones, RHIA



The Holiday season is UPON us, literally! The shopping, the parties, the cooking and spending time with your family. The dawn of a New Year always makes me reflective on how important family and relationships are in my life. As I see my daughters grow into responsible adults, I wonder what will be important to them each year. FHIMA is my family too! And often the Board wonders "what is important to each member?" "How do we attract young people into our profession?" "How will we grow?" "What is our legacy?"

The FHIMA Board appointed a SHAPER Committee Chair last July, Sharol Noblejas, RHIA. She and her committed crew are working to design a program within Florida to attract high school students into our profession. The market of people who most often enter the profession are adults looking for a second career. We are grateful for every new professional we attract but decided to focus our efforts on a population of people not often seen entering Health Information.

In order to develop a campaign to attract this age group, there are some things to be cognizant of:

-  They have always had cable.
-  They have never owned a record player. (So the expression, "You sound like a broken record" means nothing to them.
-  Star Wars looks FAKE to them.
-  Popcorn has always been cooked in a microwave
-  They never went into the ocean and thought about JAWS.

Their experiences make them see the world differently than you or I. Equally important, they love computers and look for "instant gratification." Just think of what that expectation can bring to our profession in the future!

Regional representatives to aid in this endeavor are needed! Please contact Sharol at snobo32@bellsouth.net! And remember FHIMA has scholarships to offer.

The Mid Year Conference is primed for February 2001 with a "Survivor" theme! The Committee led by Dora Cacciatore, RHIT brings in the New Year in a true "Survivor" fashion. I hope to see many of you there learning why our profession remains so "technical" at heart. Topics include: Managing Change, Coder Retention, Emergency and E&M Coding, Infectious Tropical Diseases, Voice Recognition, Wound Management, and Information Security. If you are coming for the first time, PLEASE INTRODUCE YOURSELF to me!! I would love to hear what prompted YOU to become part of this profession.

Everyone should be reading about HIPAA (e.g. Health Information Portability and Accountability Act of 1996). Privacy officers are synonymous with HIM staff so don't let this opportunity pass you by. Privacy and information security is WHAT WE DO!! We have speakers scheduled for both educational conferences offered in 2001 so please plan to attend.

The Nominating Committee chaired by Denisha Lich, RHIA is looking for willing professionals to run on FHIMA's Ballot. It is a rewarding experience where you meet some outstanding people and aid the local profession in growth. Interested? Contact dmtorres@aol.com.

At the June 2001 House of Delegates, your regional representatives will be voting on changes to the Bylaws.

Our Bylaw chair, Iliana Magunagoicoechea, RHIA is busy writing the final wording for communication to the Board by January 14, 2001. Stay tuned for more details in e-Coastlines!

This is also the time of year to be considering applying for SCHOLARSHIPS offered by FHIMA and recognizing your peers for SERVICE AWARDS.

Remember that the profession is not about achieving results. It's about the opportunity to advance the way we achieve efficiencies and learn by the journey. It's a journey not undertaken by the small minded, or weak, but one taken by the undaunted, the stubborn, and the fun loving!

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* Rates are for advance registration received prior to May 15, 2001.

Some of the Educational Topics to be Discovered...



“Bearin’ Up” with Carol Clendinen
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For more information contact:

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[Beth Simmons, RHIA](#) at (407) 303-6737

SERVICE AWARDS

ATTENTION: All FHIMA Members

Nominations are now open for the following awards:

- Distinguished Member
- Distinguished Service (FHIMA Member or Non-member)
- Literary
- Outstanding Student
- Outstanding New Professional
- Outstanding Professional (Practitioner or educator)

We have many deserving members. Please review the criteria and submit your nomination to:

Donna Shumway, RHIA
Service Awards Chairperson
1440 Players Club Circle
Gulf Breeze, FL 32561

Deadline for receipt of nominations is March 15, 2001

Please Note: As per 2000-2001 policy and procedures **nominees

will be contacted to provide supporting information to the committee.

Nomination Form - Service Awards



Distinguished Member



Outstanding Student



Distinguished Service



Outstanding New Professional



Literary Award



Outstanding Professional

Click Here For The [Service Awards Nomination Form.](#)

Click Here For The [FHIMA Resume Criteria for Awards Nomination.](#)

2001 FHIMA SCHOLARSHIP

Holly Woemmel, MA, RHIA



Florida Health Information Management Association is pleased to announce a continued support of individuals pursuing Health Information Management careers. FHIMA has again voted to provide scholarships this year to students enrolled in both undergraduate and graduate studies related to the Health Information Management field.

As in years past, scholarships will be awarded to FHIMA members to defray the cost of a Health Information Management related education. Awards will be presented at the Membership Luncheon during the 2001 Annual Convention. Scholarship recipients will be notified in writing of their award in May. Scholarship recipients are strongly encouraged to be present at the Annual Convention Membership Luncheon to accept the award.

APPLICATION INFORMATION:

Applications are available from Program Directors, on the FHIMA website, or by contacting the Scholarship Chairperson. Your completed scholarship application and required attachments must be received by the FHIMA Scholarship Chairperson no later than

published deadline.

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must be presently enrolled in one of the following program

Health Information Management Program

Health Information Technology Program

AHIMA Independent Study

Graduate level degree seeking program relevant to H.I.M. (Graduate applicants must be either an RHIA or RHIT and have a bachelor's degree)

Current membership in AHIMA/FHIMA

APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 31, 2001

Mail Applications & Attachments To:

Holly Woemmel, MA, RHIA
FHIMA Scholarship Chairperson – 2001
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SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION:

FHIMA utilizes a point system to evaluate scholarship applicants. Scholarship Committee members will review the applications for the following criteria:



Properly completed application -- with attachments present



Scholastic ability -- official transcripts will be reviewed



Leadership ability -- the resume and/or

other documents will be reviewed. The following areas will be considered: awards/honors, previous and current employment (if any), school activities, volunteer work etc...



Potential contribution to the profession -- the essay titled "How I Plan to Achieve My Long Range Professional/Career Goals" (undergraduates) or career objectives (graduate) will be reviewed.



Professionalism – supporting letters and professional organization membership

Click Here For The [FHIMA Scholarship Application AND Reference Criteria Form.](#)

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Do you want to exchange ideas or communicate with your colleagues and peers? Then check out the FHIMA Bulletin Board, it is an excellent way to be heard... There are eight great topics to select from:

- ▶ Job Opportunities
- ▶ FHIMA Web Site Feedback
- ▶ Data Quality / Clinical Coding Issues
- ▶ Legislative /Regulatory Issues
- ▶ Professional Practice Issues
- ▶ Technology / System Issues
- ▶ Regional Relations - **NEW**
- ▶ Student Forum - **NEW**

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Help!! I need a coder. This is a cry heard throughout the land with more and more frequency. And there are a lot of companies out there to help with your needs and will match your budgetary constraints. But can you find a coder who will fit into your departmental requirements? This is something any director should think about before signing on the dotted line. While we know hospitals have compliance programs, how many companies providing services to hospitals have one? What is compliance in a corporate setting? Let's look at it from a coding standpoint.

First of all, there should be acceptable standards for accuracy matching your standards. If your standard is 95%, the coder sent to you should also have an achieved accuracy level of 95% or higher. Do you hire only credentialed staff? Your temporary coder should also have current credentials and current continuing education credits.

Often trying to find the perfect match is difficult, particularly if the facility needing staff doesn't make it clear what their needs are. If you require an inpatient coder, hopefully you won't acquire a coder who only has skill in doing outpatient coding. Don't ask for an outpatient coder, to only change horses in midstream and decide they should do inpatient coding.

When you have specific requirements within your facility for productivity standards these should be met as well within reason. Part of any corporate compliance program is an average standard, but some facilities are more difficult than others based on abstracting systems, and coding requirements. While the company states they require coders to do 30-35 inpatient charts daily, keep in mind your facility may be one of those difficult settings where a truly achievable level may be less.

Always allow a learning curve when temporary staffing is required. They may not be familiar with your abstracting system, nor hospital-specific data you require, nor physicians' signatures. The abstracting system may be a common one, but you may have set this up specifically for facility needs. Share this information with your contractor. What type of data elements do you require in abstracting? Are you only collecting uniform hospital discharge data and no quality assurance indicators? This is helpful information in selecting a coder who will meet your needs as well. If it takes longer to abstract than it does to code this information it needs to be reported to your contractor. Better to have a clean contract from the beginning than to change this after the job has been started. Your budgetary constraints may not allow a change to occur, and neither of you will be satisfied.

Do you have a list of physician signatures' by specialty? We all know doctors scrawl signatures. It confounds those with larceny in their hearts and the ability to forge signatures for prescription drugs. Sally Coder, who has worked for you for 10 years, knows them by heart and at a glance, and she should be the person who assists the temporary you have brought on board to learn them if they are not written down and broken out by specialty. You can create this if you don't have it while the temporary is on site to help train the coder you hire on a permanent basis.

Do you have hospital-specific requirements for coding? In other words, do you code blood transfusions, HIDA scans and all ultrasound procedures? Bear in mind, the hospital down the road may not, nor the facility where your temporary toiled away for 6 months prior to this assignment. While we clearly believe we only code following Coding Clinic guidelines, all facilities either have hospital-specific data they gather in accordance with state requirements, or there are insurance carrier requirements. There truly is a difference between coding in Texas vs.

coding in California.

It is important to provide hospital-specific information to your temporary. If it isn't written down and like days of old, is passed on down in story fashion, you may have a less than successful first few weeks until this information is learned. Provide written coding policy. This simply can't be stated enough or often enough. Are your coders all coding the same way? If Janie Temp goes to one coder for information, and then asks another coder the same question, will she get two different answers? This applies to coding as well as abstracting data from the patient record. While errors can be corrected even after your temporary leaves, don't provide an overwhelming setting for rebilling and re-abstracting data. Utilize your most dependable coder as the temporary's mentor during the learning phase. The end result will be a happier and smoother fit. And that mentor may not be the coding supervisor. Her schedule is far too busy and hectic to provide any real learning experience for Janie Temp. A good experience in obtaining a temporary coder is worth the expense, and a bad experience creates frustration for a company who wants to provide you with a worthwhile end result. Most companies are service-oriented. While profit does play a role, profits like calories are empty, if the end result is less than satisfying and healthy.

Legislative Question & Answers

*Damon Newton, RHIA
Legislative Chairman*

Over the past two months, the following questions were posed to the Legislative Committee:



Do physician offices in Florida have to comply with information release regulations like hospitals do?

Yes. However, surprisingly enough, this was not "set in stone" until 11/13/2000 when rule 64B8-9.0075 that was adopted by the Department of Health became effective. Among other requirements is the requirement for physicians and physician assistants to comply with "...The relevant sections of Chapters 455, 458, 465, 499 and 893, Florida Statutes, and the relevant Board rules, to include but not limited to, rules regarding office surgery, medical records keeping, and the reporting of adverse incidents..."



When a physician retires or relocates his/her practice, which does he/she needs to notify?

According to Florida Administrative Code 64B8-10.002, the physician must notify the patients via the largest circulating newspaper in the immediate practice area and in a location that is conspicuous on the facade of the physician's office or a sign in front of the physician's office. The Board of Medicine must also be notified. These requirements have been in existence for years. What has recently been proposed is an amendment to this rule, which would require the patient's "legal representative" to also be notified.



Did the HMO Prompt Payment legislation that was submitted as SB 706 ever pass?

In fact, it did. It was originally submitted as SB 706 and later combined with SB 1508 and became effective on October 1, 2000.



How much impact will the rules related to HIPAA have on healthcare employees?

It is impossible to say with certainty. However, it is certain that the impact will be far reaching and cover everything from basic confidentiality of medical information to very detailed requirements on electronically securing the transfer of medical information. The rules themselves, once printed, consume nearly 1000 pages! For your own leisure, you can review them on line at <http://aspe.os.dhhs.gov/admnsimp>



Has the Agency for Health Care Administration changed its rule on taking disciplinary action against physicians?

No. However, they have certainly attempted to clarify what is defined A reason for taking disciplinary action. According to Charlene Willoughby who is the manager of the Consumer Services Unit the AHCA, such actions would include reporting for "failure to maintain adequate medical records (such as lack of timely completion of history & physicals and discharge summaries)". She continues by stating that "Fines for failure to report disciplinary action range from seeking corrective action for nonwillful violations to "\$250,000 for intentional and willful violations under Section 395.0193 (12)

F.S.” Because suspension of privileges for medical record completion delinquency is such a frequent activity, health information management professionals (especially those with this responsibility) will need to work closely with senior administration to address and clarify this requirement for the medical staff.

64 F.A.C. 64B8-8-10.002 Medical Records of Physicians Relocation or Terminating Practice; Disposition; Time Limitations.



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HIPAA Privacy Regulations

The Final Rule for HIPAA Privacy Regulations were published in the Federal Register, December 28, 2000. Visit <http://aspe.hhs.gov/admsimp/> to download a copy for your review.

Contacting AHIMA

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