



VISION STATEMENT

To promote the contribution of the health information management professional and the Washington State Health Information Management Association by ensuring the protection, integrity and quality of health-care information.

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President's Message

By: **Sheila Green-Shook, RHIA**
WSHIMA President 2010 - 2011

New Year's Greetings!

I do hope you all enjoyed the holidays with your families and loved ones – hard to believe it is a new year!

The Education and Annual Program Committees are working hard with the Data Quality/Coding and Advocacy/Legislative Committee in putting together an outstanding WSHIMA Conference this **spring**. **Please be sure and mark your calendar if you haven't done that yet. The meeting this year** is at the beautiful Davenport Hotel in Spokane, WA, May 13th – 15th. There are many topics that will be presented such as ARRA, HITECH and preparing for ICD-10 just to name a few! More details to come.

As mentioned in the last EB, WSHIMA is working to collaborate with other organizations this year. On January 20th, WSHA hosted a one hour webinar focusing on preparation for ICD-10 with the **targeted audience being CEO's, CIO's, and CFO's**. **This webinar was co-sponsored** by HFMA, HIMSS and WSHIMA. Kathy Peterson spoke, representing WSHIMA and as always, did an outstanding job. Thank you Kathy for representing our organization!

Over the past several months, Idaho and Washington have had ongoing discussions regarding jointly co-sponsoring an AHIMA ICD-10 Academy in the Pacific Northwest. On January 25th, I signed the co-sponsor agreement with AHIMA which states that Idaho and Washington will be co-sponsors for the **ICD-10 2011 Academy held in Coeur d'Alene on May 23-25th, 2011**. The date for this is very close to our annual meeting, but AHIMA had very few slots left and we wanted to take advantage of the opportunity to partner with Idaho and have an academy in our part of the country.

On February 25th there will be an all day workshop at Evergreen Healthcare. The opening speaker will be Richard Onizuka, who is the State Government HIT Coordinator and Health Policy Director and the closing speaker will be Rick Rubin, CEO of OneHealthPort which several excellent speakers throughout the rest of the workshop. Please check www.wshima.org for more details on the program and how to register.

As always, questions, comments, and/or suggestions are welcome. Please feel free to contact me directly or any of the Board members. We look forward to seeing you at the annual meeting in Spokane!

- Sheila

WSHIMA Director's Report

By: **DeeDee Adams, RHIT**
WSHIMA First Year Director

REMINDERS:

2011 WSHIMA Professional Development Award – deadline
March 1, 2011

Washington State Health Information Management Association recognizes the achievements of HIM professionals in Washington State. In recognition of the professional achievements of HIM professionals the WSHIMA Board offers a yearly award(s) to assist qualified credentialed AHIMA and WSHIMA members in good standing to pursue professional development opportunities, i.e. attend HIM or related professional development conference, pursue specialized credentialing training, participate in higher education/academic work or other professional development activities. The application procedure can be found at www.wshima.org.

2011 WSHIMA Awards Nominations are due March 1, 2011.

- Distinguished Member Award
- Professional Achievement Award

If you want to recognize any of our WSHIMA members who are in good standing for one of these awards, you can nominate a colleague or yourself by naming the **specific award and writing a brief outline of the candidate's qualifications and how they meet one or more of the criteria in the award categories you have selected.** The application procedures can be found at www.wshima.org.

UPDATES:

The 2011 Sister Peter Olivaint Scholarship application process closed on January 16, 2011. Applications are being reviewed and the winners will be notified by the end of February.

Recipients of the Sister Peter Olivaint scholarship and the Professional Development Scholarship will be required to write a brief Evergreen Bulletin article about the impact of the scholarship to their educational or professional goals.

Nominating Committee Information

IT'S YOUR TIME TO SERVE!

The Nominating Committee is seeking nominations for the 2011-2012 **WSHIMA Board...is it your time to serve?** Do you know of a WSHIMA member you would like to nominate?

The Board of Directors governs and manages the affairs of the corporation, exercise its powers and control its property. It determines compliance with **the corporation's stated purposes and has the power and authority to do** and perform all acts or functions not inconsistent with bylaws or the **corporation's articles of incorporation.**

Only Active WSHIMA members in good standing are eligible to serve on the Board.

The Board positions seeking nominees for the 2011-2012 year (terms begin July 1st, 2011) are listed below.

Again, I ask you, is it your time to serve? Do you know of a WSHIMA member you would like to nominate? Let us know by contacting the Nominating Committee Chair, Marci Vanderbosch at marci.vanderbosch@providence.org .

Thank you.

2010-2011 WSHIMA Nominating Committee
Kim Christensen
Melanie Endicott
Susan Ishikawa
Marci Vanderbosch, Chair

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President-Elect

This is a one year position that assumes the President position in year two and Past-President in year three, duties include:

- Preparation for assuming office of President
- Become familiar with the mission, goals, objectives, policies and procedures of WSHIMA and AHIMA.
- Making arrangements including facility/hotel reservations for annual
- Make arrangements for first Board meeting and Strategic Planning session to be held in July.
- During the last part of the fiscal year, set up Finance Committee
- Serve as Chair/Board Liaison to the Education Committee
- Serve as a member of the Finance and Budget Committee
- Appoint the Committee Chair positions whose terms of office will begin when the President-Elect assumes the office of President.
- Serve as delegate to AHIMA House of Delegates, by virtue of office.
- Serve as consultation to Nominating Committee
- Review the WSHIMA procedure for President-Elect making any necessary changes and forward to the Third Year Director upon request.
- Attend the AHIMA Leadership Conference, held annually in July.
- Attend all Executive Board and general meetings of the membership.
- **Serve as the President's representative on committees.**

Treasurer

This is a 2-year term, duties include:

- Receive and disburse funds of WSHIMA with approval of President, President-Elect, Chief Delegate and/or Committee Chairs.
- Attend all Executive Board and general meetings of the membership
- Present financial reports prepared by the WSHIMA Treasurer at each board meeting.
- Serve as an active member of the Finance and Budget Committee.
- Requires a working knowledge of QuickBooks (on Windows) software.
- Assists successor during the transition period to include transfer of documents.

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Secretary

This is a one-year term, whose primary responsibilities include:

- Record minutes of all WSHIMA business meetings
- Post Executive Board Minutes on the Washington State Board CoP
- Send summary of Board activities from each meeting to Evergreen Bulletin.
- Transfer to your successor pertinent files and supplies.
- Review the WSHIMA Procedure for Secretary, making any necessary changes and forward to WSHIMA Past-President Director by May 1st.
- Attend all Executive Board and general meetings of the membership
- Prepare the rough draft of the agenda for the Executive Board Meetings and send to the President. Review previous minutes for uncompleted tasks.
- Coordinate with Central Office Coordinator conference calls or webinars for Board meetings.
- Report/record at next meeting any matters that require action between meetings of the Executive Board decided by electronic mail, mail or CoP vote.
- Send reminder to all board members, committee chairs and invited guests reminding them of the meeting day and time, place of meeting and ask for RSVP.

Director, First Year

This is a one-year term, duties include:

- Attend all meetings of WSHIMA Executive Board and the Annual Business Meeting.
- Advise the President
- Vote on behalf of the membership at the Executive Board meetings.
- Put out call for and selection of WSHIMA Scholarship recipients, reviews and scores candidate applications
- **Solicit nominations from the membership for WSHIMA's Distinguished Member Award and Professional Achievement Award**
- Coordinate annual student scholarship award process
- Assist other members of the Executive Board in the performance of their duties on request.
- Coordinate reimbursement of exam reimbursement for student members.

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Delegate (2 positions open)

This is a 2-year term, duties include:

- Represent the members of WSHIMA at all organizational levels.
- Promote communication and increased member participation in the WSHIMA and the AHIMA.
- Raise the consciousness of individual members regarding association goals, issues and concerns.
- Support the WSHIMA Position Statement on Advocacy.
- Attend AHIMA Leadership Conference (held in July), Team Talks (held in July and March/April) and House of Delegates (held in September/October) activities and work groups.



WSHIMA Annual Silent Auction



WSHIMA's annual silent auction committee is gearing up for another successful year in obtaining donated auction items from anyone who would like to participate. Our auction last year yield close to \$3,000.00 for the 2010/2011 scholarship and various awards for students and members of WSHIMA.

Please consider donating a new item for the May 2011 annual convention this year. Some of the more successful sale items are theme baskets, art, jewelry, wine, electronic gadgets, and books.

One hundred percent of proceeds from the donated items will be spent on scholarships and awards for 2011/2012.

Thank you for your considerations.

Donations can be made to:

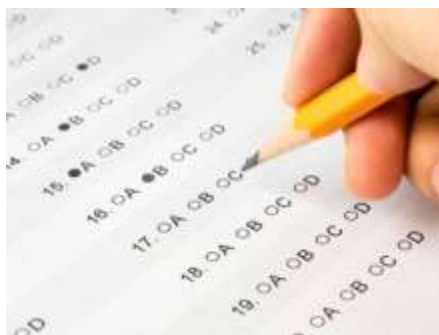
Susan Ishikawa at susan.ishikawa@mossadams.com

DeeDee Adams at deedee.adams@comcast.net.

WSHIMA Exam Reimbursement NOVEMBER AWARDS

Congratulations to the November 2010 Exam Reimbursement awards. These participants are reimbursed for the cost of their RHIT/RHIA exams after they have successfully passed these exams.

The six individuals that were reimbursed are:



- **Yelena Dunayevskay**
- **Gabrielle McCormick**
- **Kristine Hanvold**
- **Taylor Powell**
- **Cecilia Hart**
- **Nadia Varvalyuk**

Our next Exam Reimbursement Awards will be distributed in May 2011. Please email your request and proof of payment for your exam to WSHIMA.org.

Susan Ishikawa
2nd Year Director
WSHIMA
253-653-5726



SAVE THE DATE – Friday, FEBRUARY 25TH, 2011

Come learn about the **Health Information Exchange and Meaningful Use** in the State of Washington from outstanding speakers!

Begin the day with Richard Onizuka, PhD, State Government HIT Coordinator and Health Policy Director and ending the day with Richard D. Rubin, CEO of OneHealthPort with several excellent speakers throughout the rest of the workshop.

Date: Friday, February 25th, 2011

Time: 10:00 am- 4:00 pm, 5 CEUs

Where: Evergreen Hospital, Kirkland, WA

Price: \$75.00 includes a boxed lunch

Watch your Inbox for more information, including how to register for this outstanding workshop.

Sponsored by Washington State Health Information Management Association

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY 2011

25 Health Information
Exchange and Meaningful Use

MAY 2011





11 - 13 WSHIMA
2011 Annual Meeting The Davenport Hotel
Spokane, WA

23 - 25 AHIMA Academy
For ICD-10-CM / PCS:
*Building Expert Trainers
in Diagnosis & Procedure Coding* Coeur d'Alene, ID





April 2012

19 - 21 2012 WSHIMA Annual Meeting Marriot Seattle Airport
Information to Come

MISSION

-  A code of ethical health information management practices
-  The public's right and high-quality health information
-  The celebration and promotion of diversity
-  Innovation and leadership in advancing health information management practices and standards worldwide

VALUES

-  Advocates public policy that advances HIM practice
-  Provides career, professional development and practice resources
-  Facilitates achievement of standards and provides education opportunities
-  Facilitates member communication



BOARD MEMBERS

- WSHIMA President* **Sheila Green-Shook**
- President Elect* **Terry Long**
- Past President* **Marci Vanderbosch**
- Secretary* **Julie Bajer**
- Treasurer* **Jean Carman**
- 2nd Year Director* **Susan Ishikawa**
- 1st Year Director* **DeeDee Adams**
- Chief Delegate* **Julie Hatch**
- 2nd Year Delegate* **Bill Thieleman**
- 1st Year Delegate* **Rhonda Kabage**
- SHIMA Representative* **Bao-Uyen Nguyen**
- TAHIMA Representative* **Alicia Hadash**

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- INHIMA Representative* **Susan Blue**
- Education* **Terry Long**
- Legislative / Advocacy* **Esther Kohler**
- Coding & Data Quality* **Rik Lewis**
- Membership* **Mary Meek**
- Evelyn Ferrier**
- 2011 Annual Meeting* **Marci Vanderbosch**
- Evergreen Bulletin* **Gloria Anderson**
- Bylaws* **Ingrid Bentzen**
- History* **Carol Quinsey**
- Teri Wiseman-Kuhlman**
- Nominating* **Marci Vanderbosch**