



2008-2009 WSHIMA Exam Reimbursement Program for New Graduates

WSHIMA is pleased to announce the continuation of our innovative program designed to encourage and motivate new graduates to become part of our professional health information management community!

The program, which is a drawing, will reimburse the AHIMA exam cost (AHIMA member cost \$225 RHIA or \$215 RHIT) for up to 18 new health information administration and technical graduates who take and successfully pass the national AHIMA credentialing exam.

How Does It Work?

WSHIMA encourages any student who graduates anytime during 2008-2009 from any of the three Washington State health information technology programs, the one health information administrator program or an AHIMA-accredited HIA or HIT distance learning program to apply for the drawing. In order to be eligible, the graduate is required to:

- Take the exam within three months following graduation/official completion of the HIT or HIA program, and
- Already be a member of AHIMA/WSHIMA when taking the credentialing exam, and
- Have chosen Washington State Health Information Management Association (WSHIMA) as your AHIMA membership CSA, and
- Complete and submit the application (found on the WSHIMA website www.wshima.org) by the submission date deadline nearest graduation (October 20, 2008 or May 1, 2009), and
- Provide evidence of successfully passing the examination

Up to nine winners will be drawn on November 1, 2008 and May 15, 2009. Winners will be notified via email. Their names will be published in *The Evergreen Bulletin* and in an e-Alert.

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