

Quarterly Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: KRISTA MCCOMB, RHIT, CCS-P

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Greetings to all of our Members! My message today is about what this organization has done for me in the three short years that I have been involved. I started out volunteering my time by putting this newsletter together. In a very short time, I was President-Elect and now President of this great association. I have been in HIM / coding for over 12 years. I live in a small rural area, and we don't have a lot of experienced personal resources near us. I really felt like I had to fight for every bit of knowledge that I acquired, *until* I started working with SVHIA. In that time, I have gained invaluable resources. Whenever I have a question—whether it be coding, compliance, HIPAA, policies, or anything else—I now have someone that I can reach out to for guidance and expertise. My favorite story is my current one. After 12 years with my current employer, my husband and I recently relocated to the Bay Area for an advancement in his career. I sent an email to the North Coast organization to find out what they recommended for job hunting and great places to work. Not only did I have four amazing leads within 24 hours, one of the members was looking for an employee, and in three short weeks I was offered an amazing job with Stanford Healthcare! What an outstanding opportunity for me. And if I didn't have the networking that SVHIA brought me, I'm quite sure I would have been looking for much longer and who knows where I would be today. I encourage all of you, no matter if you are new in the business or experienced, reach out and get involved. I would love to see all of you at the CHIA convention in June!!

TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking	\$ 8,615.30
Savings	\$ 9,889.21
CD	\$ 6,523.86
Total Assets:	\$25,028.37

UPCOMING EVENT YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS!

WEBINAR:

AUDITING FOR QUALITY INDICATORS AND COMPLIANCE

Presenter: Julie M. Vlasis, RMC, CMPE
Consultant
Julie M. Vlasis Consulting Services

When: Thursday, April 20, 2017
5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.

Approved for 2 CE Units Domain 3: Clinical Data Management (ICD-10)

Program Description: This presentation will examine the importance of selecting and reviewing quality indicators for medical practices and clinics. These indicators will be essential in ensuring practices will meet MACRA/MIP quality standards. This presentation will provide you with some tools to assist in developing, monitoring and improving your selected quality indicators.

Audience: Hospital and Physician Coding Staff, Directors, Managers, ICD-10 Auditors, Educators, Coding Compliance Staff and CDI Staff.

To RSVP: E-mail SVHIA Treasurer at aprileve04@gmail.com Please include your name, facility, daytime phone, and email. Please register by Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

Registration Fee: Members \$20/Non-members \$25/Students \$10.

Mail check or money order (payable to SVHIA) to: April Kuster, SVHIA Treasurer,
238 Katherine Street, Quincy, CA 95971

CHIA COMING TO SACRAMENTO

Mark your calendars! The program flyers are out and the count down to the 2017 California Health Information Association Convention and Exhibit has begun. This year, you have probably noted by now, CHIA will be convening its annual convention and exhibit in SVHIA's home town of Sacramento from June 10 through 14.

The CHIA Convention and Exhibit is always a highlight of CHIA's program year and 2017 will be no exception. With a theme of "The Power of Health Information" the convention program has been organized around the general topics of creating health information, managing health information and using health information. Think about it, through the multiple roles HIM professionals now fill throughout the health care echo system, HIM professionals have substantive and important roles to play in the entire life cycle of the creation and use of information in health care.

The Convention Committee has assembled a great line-up of general and concurrent session speakers. Please take a moment to review the convention flyer sent to members earlier in March or visit www.californiahia.org for convention details and then register to attend by May 10th to take advantage of the early registration rates.

And speaking of the Convention Committee, no less than five SVHIA members served on the Committee this year. Victoria Hernandez RHIA, Chaired the Convention Committee and SVHIA members Sally Gibbs RHIA, Starla Ledbetter RHIA, Krista McComb RHIT and Estelle Stanton-Roberts RHIT joined Victoria as members on the Committee. Thank each of you for your volunteer service on this important association committee!

SVHIA members may wish to take advantage of the meeting's location to attend the CHIA House of Delegates on Sunday afternoon, June 11 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. You do not need to be a delegate to attend the House and there is no registration fee to attend. Non-delegates are even given an opportunity to speak if they choose to do so.

This year, in addition to strategic planning, the House will consider the important topic of the CHIA governance structure. A special CHIA Governance Structure Task Force examined alternative association organizational models over the past several months and the Task Force report and SBAR will be deliberated at the CHIA House. The Task Force report is being finalized now and will be made available to delegates and CHIA members in mid-April for review and discussion prior to the House. Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with this report and to share your thoughts about CHIA governance with your SVHIA delegates.

Respectfully submitted by,
Brian Faust RHIA, CHIA President-elect and SVHIA Board Liaison
March 2017

ICD-10 CODING TIP

How well do you know your place of occurrence codes? External cause codes are mandated in the State of California and reporting is required by OSHPD. Let's review a scenario...

An 8-year-old boy injured his right foot after colliding with his team mate causing a fall while playing basketball during PE class in the gymnasium at his school. What place of occurrence code would you assign if both "school" and "gymnasium" were mentioned?

Would you assign **Y92.211** Elementary school as place of occurrence, or **Y92.39** Other specified sports and athletic area as place of occurrence?

The correct code is **Y92.39** Other specified sports and athletic area as the place of occurrence of the external cause.

RATIONALE: In the Coding Tabular under Y92.2-, there is an Excludes I Note with "*sports and athletics area of schools as the place of occurrence of the external cause (Y92.3-).*"

OPEN HIM MANAGEMENT JOBS

CHECK WITH ORGANIZATION WEBSITES FOR MORE DETAILS

- Cerner, Santa Rosa: MANAGER, HIM (Supervisor/Entry Level)
- Dignity Health Medical Foundation, Sacramento: MANAGER, HEALTH INFORMATION (Ambulatory/Outpatient)
- Plumas District Hospital, Quincy: HIM MANAGER
- Redlands Community Hospital, Redlands: MANAGER, HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
- Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center, Harbor-UCLA, LAC+USC, Los Angeles County, 3 *positions*: HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

SVHIA is committed to assisting students in their pursuit of HIM careers. SVHIA is offering a **\$200 scholarship toward registration for the 2017 California Health Information Association (CHIA) Convention**. The CHIA Convention offers students an opportunity to learn more about careers in health information management and assists students in building their personal brand to give a competitive edge in job hunting. This is a great opportunity to network with peers and mentors.

Two (2) scholarships will be awarded. (\$200 each)

Scholarships are open to all students in the Sacramento Valley Region pursuing a degree in Health Information Technology/Management.

Scholarships will be awarded based on a written essay, of no more than 500 words, responding to the following two questions:

- a. Describe your educational and/or career goals in HIM.
- b. Describe how receiving a SVHIA scholarship will assist you to meet your educational and/or career goals in HIM.

Deadline: 5 p.m., May 5, 2017.

Send responses via email to: Nancy Honeychurch, momzy01@att.net

Please include your name and contact information in the header of your response.

For questions, contact Steve Kim: kims@crc.losrios.edu

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