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GOCHIA ELECTION RESULTS
Thank you to all who voted. The 2019/2020 GOCHIA Board will be:

- President: Jacqueline Bloink, RHIA
- President-Elect: Rachael Goodman, RHIA
- Past President: Kamar Braish, RHIA
- Secretary: Lizbeth Felix, RHIA
- Treasurer: Denise Dymon, RHIT
- CHIA Delegates: Venus Alejandrino, RHIA
  Kathleen Witte, RHIA, CCS
- Alternate Delegate: Patty Durkee, RHIA

March: HIM Career and Education Panel Discussion
Special thanks to our panel of HIM professionals who shared their path to and role within HIM. So many different stories!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **April: RHIT/RHIA Exam Prep (3 CEUs)**

  April 13, 2019 (Saturday)
  9:00 am – 12:00 am
  TODOS Conference Rooms, 1st floor of the Center for Cancer Prevention and Treatment
  Across the street from St. Joseph Hospital. 1000 West La Veta, Orange 92868

  This collaborative tutorial is intended to strengthen and reinforce the competencies needed to prepare for the RHIA or RHIT Certification Exam. The program will focus on domain competencies covering:
Data, Content, Structure and Standards; Information Protection: Access, Disclosure, Archival, Privacy and Security; Informatics, Analytics, and Data Use; Revenue Management; Leadership

https://www.eventbrite.com/o/gochia-15487404222

Non-Member: $50.00
Student Member $25.00
Student Non-Member $30.00

- **May: Graduate Recognition Dinner**
  
  May 3, 2019 (Friday)
  6:00pm – 8:00pm
  Knott’s Berry Farm

**CHIA NEWS:**

Join HIM professionals in beautiful Indian Wells for the 2019 CHIA Convention & Exhibit this June 8-12. Discover innovative ideas and strategies for tackling day-to-day issues as leading industry experts discuss challenges facing today’s HIM professionals.

Learn more and register at [https://californiahia.org/convention-exhibit](https://californiahia.org/convention-exhibit)

**HIM NEWS:**

- **CA State Assembly Bill change affects medical record management**

  State AB 2088 permits a minor patient to provide a written addendum of up to 250 words to his or her medical record if the patient believes the records are incomplete or incorrect. Adult patients already had this right, this bill expands this right to minors. Criteria required are that the submission be 250 words or less for EACH alleged incomplete or incorrect item in the patient’s record and that the submission clearly indicates in writing that the patient requests the addendum to be made a part of his or her record. The addendum is to be included in the patient’s records and whenever the provider discloses the allegedly incomplete or incorrect portion of the record to any third party.

**STUDENT NEWS:**

- **Webinar: 2019 CHIA Student Open Forum with CHIA President**

  March 20, 2019 (Wednesday)
  12pm – 1pm

  You will not want to miss this opportunity to network, engage, and learn about the benefits of CHIA membership.  [Event Details and Registration](#)

- **2019 GOCHIA Scholarship**

  GOCHIA is committed to encouraging Health Information Administration (HIA) and Health Information Technology (HIT) students complete their education and enable them to successfully embark on their Health Information Management (HIM) career paths. This year, GOCHIA has established its **first** Student Scholarship program.
Who is eligible?

- Active or Student members in good standing of the California Health Information Association (CHIA) who have selected GOCHIA as their component local association;
- Enrolled either full time or part time in an accredited health information technology\management program, and completed at least 50% of the curriculum;
- A minimum grade point average of 3.0;

Applications and essays must be submitted by April 5, 2019 to be considered. Visit the CHIA-GOCHIA website to obtain additional information and download the requirements and application: [http://californiahia.org/Content/GOCHIA.cfm](http://californiahia.org/Content/GOCHIA.cfm)

You can also reach us by email for additional questions at: [GOCHIA@CaliforniaHIA.org](mailto:GOCHIA@CaliforniaHIA.org)