



Newsletter

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President's Message February 2020 Newsletter

By Keith Hass, RHIA

Hello Newsletter of the SDHIA CLA! Are you still waiting for that email or call from SDHIA or CHIA or AHIMA about volunteer opportunities? Let me help with that.

- AHIMA: ahima.org/volunteers | Contact volunteer.services@ahima.org

The AHIMA website ahima.org/volunteers will tell you everything you need to volunteer at the AHIMA national level.

- CHIA: californiahia.org/volunteer | Questionnaire of Interest <https://form.jotform.com/61677041091150>

The CHIA website californiahia.org/volunteer will also give you the information you need to volunteer at the state level.

- SDHIA: californiahia.org/clas/sdhia | SDHIA@CaliforniaHIA.org

For SDHIA opportunities for volunteer opportunities you will need to use the californiahia.org/volunteer web URL. Copy and paste to your browser or type-in. The best way is to email SDHIA at the SDHIA email as above or approach any board member at the local meetings that occur monthly for the most part.

The second option is to click on the tab, "CLA Regions" in the CHIA website and choose the region appropriate for you.



What I can offer to volunteer at SDHIA is to be prepared with information on volunteer opportunities in a reasonable time frame. I want the volunteers to feel welcome, have good training, see that the volunteer finds the opportunity interesting to be involved and know the time involved. Additionally, volunteers have a need to be appreciated.

Volunteering is your choice in an organization. Volunteering is also a self-education on how organizations work at a micro level that can translate into new gained professional experiences and friendships. Permitting the volunteer to reach from the staff level and up to the leadership hierarchy in organizations.

Volunesia (noun)

That moment you forget you're volunteering to help change lives, because it's changing yours...

"Unknown"

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UPCOMING EVENTS

February 8, 2020

Coding Round Table - New CPT Codes

Sharp Techway Building
8520 Techway
1st Floor-Room A
San Diego, CA 92123

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EDUCATIONAL CORNER

By Daniel Castanon, RHIA

Kie Copenhaver, RHIA, RCFE, Certified Senior Advisor from Care Patrol spoke about placing senior individuals in assisted living housing after hospital admissions, skilled nursing facilities and long term care hospitals. Care Patrol mission is helping seniors and their families. Protecting the patients' health information, HIPAA, release of information, continuity/continuum of care play major roles when filling out forms and coordinating with the patient and provider. She explained how real life challenges impact patient placement into senior assisted living. We thank Kie for being a true patient advocate!

CODING CORNER

2020 CPT Highlights by Nancy J Cervi, RHIT, CCDS

The American Medical Association (AMA) released the 2020 Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®) code set containing 394 code changes, including 248 new codes, 71 deletions, and 75 revisions effective January 1, 2020.

Among this year's important additions to CPT are new medical services to capture digital communication tools, such as patient portals, that allow health care professionals to more efficiently connect with patients at home and exchange information. There are six new codes to report online digital evaluation services, or e-visits. These codes describe patient-initiated digital communications provided by physician or other qualified health care professional (99421, 99422, 99423), or a non-physician health care professional (98970, 98971, 98972).

New coding additions were added to report home blood pressure monitoring that aligns with current clinical practice. CPT added codes (99473, 99474) for self-measured blood pressure monitoring. These codes allow for physicians who take care of patients that have varying degrees of access to care.

Additional CPT changes include the new codes for health and behavior assessment and intervention services (96156, 96158, 96164, 96167, 96170 and add-on codes 96159, 96165, 96168, 96171). These codes replace six older codes to more accurately reflect current clinical practice that participate in interdisciplinary care coordination and teamwork with physicians in primary care and specialty settings.

One of this year's largest expansions to the CPT code set was in the codes for reporting long term electroencephalographic (EEG) monitoring services (95700-95726). Four older codes were deleted to make way for 23 new codes that provide distinction for services reported by a technologist, a physician, or another qualified health care provider.

Other highlights:

Integumentary System Repair (Closure): The introductory guidelines in the CPT Integumentary System, Repair (Closure) subsection have been revised to provide more descriptive language to clarify that intermediate repair includes limited undermining. The guidelines also clarify that complex repair includes all the requirements listed for intermediate repair plus at least one of the following: exposure of bone, cartilage, tendon, or named neurovascular structure; debridement of wound edges; extensive undermining; involvement of free margins of the helical rim, vermilion border, or nostril rim; or placement of retention sutures.

Mastectomy Procedures: In 2017, the CPT Assistant Editorial Board requested clarification for coding nipple- and skin-sparing mastectomy procedures. Upon review, the stakeholder specialties determined that code 19304, *Mastectomy*,

subcutaneous, has been misreported for a mastectomy procedure that included a nipple- or skin-sparing technique, which should have correctly been reported as a mastectomy procedure using code 19303, *Mastectomy, simple, complete*. A subcutaneous mastectomy (that is, removing some breast tissue) is a technique introduced in the 1960s that is no longer standard of care; therefore, code 19304 is deleted for 2020.

Nervous System: Specific codes (64451-64454) and (64624-64625) have been created for both genicular nerve and sacroiliac joint nerve procedures with comprehensive directives by the AMA listed within the parentheses of these codes.

Musculoskeletal/integumentary System: Grafting codes (15769-15774) have been added to provide greater detail describing different tissue-grafting procedures.

Eye & Ocular Adnexa: A new cataract technique has been added to the eye section: 66987- Complex cataract with endoscopic cyclophotocoagulation and 66988 - Cataract with endoscopic cyclophotocoagulation

Fifty-one new Category III code updates 0543T – 0593T have been included for 2020 to track emerging technology services and procedures. Look for new codes for transapical mitral valve repair, transcatheter mitral valve annulus reconstruction, and transcatheter tricuspid valve annulus reconstruction. 0559T – 0562T include new codes for production of 3D-printed models individually prepared and processed components of structures of anatomy.

For a complete list of the changes and official CPT guidelines, refer to the 2020 CPT code book and Appendix B for the summary of additions, deletions and revisions as well as Category III section of CPT 2020.

NEW ICD-10-CM Browser Tool

What is the ICD-10-CM Browser Tool [Beta Version 1/3/2020]?

The new National Center for Health Statistics ICD-10-CM Browser tool is here <https://icd10cmtool.cdc.gov/> This user-friendly web-based query application allows users to search for codes from the *International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision, Clinical Modification* (ICD-10-CM) and provides instructional information needed to understand the usage of ICD-10-CM codes. The application provides access to multiple fiscal year version sets that are available with real-time comprehensive results via the search capabilities.



SDHIA Nominating Committee

Dear SDHIA Members!

The SDHIA Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the 2020 SDHIA Ballot.

The SDHIA election and online voting will begin on **February 10, 2020 and close February 21, 2020.**

Check out the February SDHIA Newsletter for candidates' biographies and upcoming email bulletins for complete election details. Only votes of CHIA members will be counted for the SDHIA 2020 Ballot.

Congratulations to all of these ballot candidates, and a sincere thank you to those who volunteered and offered their name for consideration.

These HIM professionals have offered to give their time and expertise to serve SDHIA and make the HIM profession stronger in the rapidly changing healthcare industry.

President-elect:

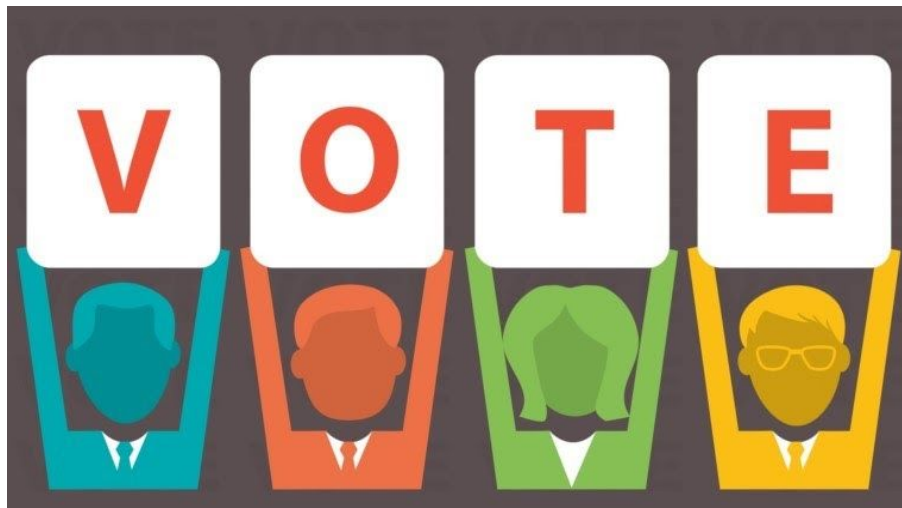
Ashley Baker, RHIT

Secretary Candidates:

Jackie Coleman, RHIT

Delegate Candidates:

Svetlana Woersching, RHIA, CCS, CPC





2020-2021 SDHIA BALLOT

Candidate Biographies



President Elect Candidate:

Ashley Baker, RHIT holds an Associate of Science degree from Mesa College in Health Information Technology and is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Health Information Management. She has worked as a Health Services Management Technician and Credentials Manager for the U.S. Air Force over the past ten years and currently works as a Health Information Technician at Edgemoor DPSNF. She is currently the secretary for SDHIA and has previously volunteered on the CHIA nominating committee and as hostess for the monthly SDHIA educational sessions. Ashley's hobbies include reading, hiking, and spending time with her family. She enjoys volunteering with SDHIA and would like to continue to serve and give back to others by volunteering as SDHIA's President-Elect.



Secretary Candidate:

Jacquelyn Bersuela-Coleman, RHIT, CCS, CPC, AHIMA-Approved ICD-10-CM/PCS Trainer, is currently an Inpatient Coder for Tri-City Medical Center. Jacquelyn is an American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) approved ICD-10-CM/PCS trainer. She has more than 20 years of experience in the Health Information Management (HIM) field including coding, auditing, management, revenue cycle management, and patient administration. She specializes in inpatient coding, auditing, and clinical coding documentation. She is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Health Information Administration at the University of Toledo, Ohio. She is a current member of the Nominating Committee and Data Coding Quality Committee. Jacquelyn has previously served as the SDHIA Delegate (alternate) at the 2013 CHIA convention and has served as past Treasurer and Hostess. Jacquelyn's hobbies include running, enjoying walks at San Diego's beautiful beaches, and spending quality time with her daughter and her dog, Gunnar.



CHIA Delegate Candidate:

Svetlana Woersching, MBA, RHIA, CCS, CPC, PME, LSSWB holds a Baccalaureate of Science degree from the University of Cincinnati in Health Information Management and a Masters of Business Administration degree in Healthcare Management from Capella University. At present, she works for Optum, UnitedHealth Group as a Coding Quality Analyst. To stay current on changes in the dynamic HIM industry, Svetlana has been a very active member of numerous committees for AHIMA, CHIA, and SDHIA since 2012. Svetlana would be honored to continue serving these organizations and represent the interests of SDHIA at the CHIA House of Delegates this summer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

New 2020 CPT Updates

Date: Saturday February 8, 2020

Time: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Door Registration begins at 7:45am

Location:

Sharp Techway Building
8520 Techway
1st Floor-Room A
San Diego, CA 92123

Speakers:

John Folger-RHIA, CCS, CCS-P
Manager, Health Care Consulting, Wipfli
LLP

Judy Holloway-MPH, RHIA, CCS, CCS-P
Director, Health Care Consulting, Wipfli
LLP

For more information, contact the SDHIA President
Keith Hass, RHIA at
SDHIA@CaliforniaHIA.org



Early Registration Fee: *Thru February 7th, 2020 at 6:00pm*

-\$48 Non-Member
-\$43 CHIA Member
-\$25 CHIA Student

Registration Fee: *After 6:00 pm on February 7th, 2020*

-\$50 Everyone

Continuing Education CEU's: 4
HIM Domain: Data Structure, Content, and Information Governance

For registration and payment online go to "Register":




Register ▶▶

Although online registration is preferred, walk-in registration is available on site with cash or check only. Please make your check payable to SDHIA

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San Diego Health Information Association, SDHIA CALENDAR of EVENTS for 2019-2020

Date & Location	Speaker	Topic, Domain & Sponsor
<p>September 10, 2019 (2nd Tuesday)</p> <p>Location: Sharp Techway Building 8520 Tech Way 1st Floor-Room A San Diego, CA 92123</p>	<p>James Williams, RHIA</p> <p>Maria Hewett, MBA, RHIA</p> <p>Keith Hass, RHIA</p> <p>Morgan Hezlep, JD, CHC, CHPS, RHIT</p> <p>Suzanne Forrest, RHIA</p>	<p>Topic: Alternate Career Pathways in HIM</p> <p>Domain: Management Development</p> <p>Sponsor:</p> 
<p>October 22, 2019 (4th Tuesday)</p> <p>Location: Sharp Corporate Building Sharp Auditorium 8695 Spectrum Center Blvd. San Diego, CA 92123</p>	<p>Hika Mengitsu, MHIS, RHIA, CDIP, CHP, CSCS</p> <p>San Diego County Sheriff's Dept.</p>	<p>Topic: What do HIM Professionals Do in Correctional Facilities.</p> <p>Domain: Management Development</p>
<p>October 26, 2019 (Saturday)</p> <p>Location: Sharp Techway Building 8520 Tech Way 1st Floor-Room A San Diego, CA 92123</p>	<p>Victoria Hernandez, RHIA, CDIP, CCS, CCS-P</p> <p>AHIMA-Approved ICD-10-CM/PCS Trainer</p> <p>Louis Grujanac, D.O Chief Medical Director</p>	<p>Topic: Coding Round Table New ICD 10 CM/PCS 2020 Codes</p> <p>Domain: Clinical Classification Systems and Coding</p>
<p>November 12, 2019 (2nd Tuesday)</p> <p>Location: Sharp Corporate Building Sharp Auditorium 8695 Spectrum Center Blvd. San Diego, CA 92123</p>	<p>Dr. Lenora C. Langlais MS, BSN, CDR (USN-R)</p>	<p>Topic: Breast Cancer- A Person's Journey through the Cancer Wilderness</p> <p>Domain: Clinical Foundation or External Forces</p>

<p>December 10, 2019 Location: Tom Ham's Lighthouse 2150 Harbor Island San Diego, CA. 92101</p>	<p>Cassi Birnbaum MS, RHIA, CPHQ, FAHIMA</p> <p>Sponsor: </p>	<p>Topic: Follow Your Yellow Brick Road to Realize Your HIM Vision Domain: Management Development Sponsor: </p>
<p>January 14, 2020 (2nd Tuesday) Location: Sharp Techway Building 8520 Tech Way 1st Floor-Room A San Diego, CA 92123</p>	<p>Kie Copenhaver, RHIA, RCFE, CSA</p>	<p>Topic: HIMs Non-Traditional Role and Their Impact on the Aging Population Domain: Management Development Sponsor: </p>
<p>February 8, 2020 (Saturday) Location: Sharp Techway Building 8520 Tech Way 1st Floor-Room A San Diego, CA 92123</p>	<p>John Folger, RHIA, CCS, CCS-P Manager, Health Care, Consulting, Wipfli LLP</p> <p>Judy Holloway, MPH, RHIA, CCS, CCS-P Director, Health Care, Consulting, Wipfli LLP</p>	<p>Topic: Coding Round Table-New CPT Codes Domain: Data Structure, Content, and Information Governance</p>
<p>March 10, 2020 (2nd Tuesday) Location: Sharp Techway Building 8520 Tech Way 1st Floor-Room A San Diego, CA 92123</p>	<p>TBD</p>	<p>Topic: Domain: Sponsor:</p>
<p>April 14, 2020 (2nd Tuesday) Location: Sharp Techway Building 8520 Tech Way 1st Floor-Room A San Diego, CA 92123</p>	<p>TBD</p>	<p>Topic: Domain: Sponsor:</p>

<p>May 12, 2020 (2nd Tuesday) Location: Tom Ham's Lighthouse 2150 Harbor Island San Diego, CA. 92101</p>	<p>TBD</p>	<p>Topic:</p> <p>Domain:</p> <p>Sponsor:</p>
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JOBS SECTION for NEWSLETTER

Hello Newsletter readers,

The employment section of the newsletter is now being updated with links to the employers. The reason for this is since job opportunities change quickly and for the SDHIA newsletter editors to keep track of those changes is not beneficial to members. It is best for students and members to check the job links and keep a record for yourself to see who you have applied with and keep tabs on the jobs you want in the HIM field. Create a spreadsheet or other type document for your records and sometimes a notebook will suffice for others.

We encourage any sponsors who are readers of the newsletter that if you would like to sponsor SDHIA and post your opportunities to please contact SDHIA@CaliforniaHIA.org

If you are attending one of our meetings let us know at the meeting or beforehand that you would like to make some job announcements to the attendees.

The following is not a complete list, but assistance in your search.

Some helpful hints in your job search:

- Have a blanket resume/CV and cover letter.
- Amend resume and cover letters to the opportunity you are applying to.
- Read the requirements for applying to a position.
- Network outside of job boards with co-workers, professional organizations and do online research for ideas and tips.
- Speak with the sponsors when sponsors are at local meetings and conferences.
- Bring resume(s) to events
- Use social media for example, LinkedIn to reach out to recruiters.

HIM Organization job boards within the HIM organization hierarchy:

- AHIMA: <https://careerassist.ahima.org/jobs/>
- CHIA: www.JobBoard.CaliforniaHIA.org

Local San Diego employers

- Sharp Healthcare: <https://careers.sharp.com/>
- Scripps Health: <https://www.scripps.org/about-us/careers>
- Rady Children's Hospital: <https://jobs.rchsd.org/>
- Family Health Centers of San Diego: <https://www.fhcsd.org/careers/>

- UC San Diego: <https://jobs.ucsd.edu/>
- Kaiser Permanente: <https://www.kaiserpermanentejobs.org/>
- Palomar Health: <https://www.palomarhealth.org/careers/careers-at-palomar-health>
- Peak Health Solutions: Multiple Positions-Contact-Monica Herra (949) 721-2795 mherra@hcsstat.com
- Excite Health Partners: Multiple IP/OP Remote Coder Positions-Contact-Ann McGrail (216) 447-9808x1020 amcgrail@excitehp.com
- San Diego County: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/sdcounty> - Use dropdown menu to find job category.
- State of California: <https://www.calcareers.ca.gov/>
- Veterans health: <https://www.vacareers.va.gov/>
- * SAN YSIDRO HEALTH: Contact-Marci Arkin marci.arkin@syhealth.org
Website: www.syhealth.org



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HIS Specialist

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Please contact us at careers@nextgate.com for more information.

Current openings:

- [Applications Support Engineer – US](#)
- [Implementation Consultant – US](#)
- [Operations Center Engineer – US](#)
- [Pre-Sales Engineer – US](#)
- [Sales Executive – North Central US](#)
- [Senior Java Developer – US](#)
- [VP of Marketing – US](#)

2019-2020 SDHIA BOARD, COMMITTEE MEMBERS, & STUDENT VOLUNTEERS

- President: Keith Hass, RHIA
- President-Elect: Hernan Amezcua, RHIA
- Past President: Daniel Castanon, RHIA
- Secretary: Ashley Baker, RHIT
- Treasurer: Morgan Hezlep, JD, CHC, CHPS, RHIT
- Board Liaison: Maria Caban Alizondo, MOL, RHIT, FAHIMA
- AHIMA Delegate: Kamar Braish, MS, RHIA
- SDHIA/CHIA Nominating Committee: Daniel Castanon, RHIA; Ashley Baker, RHIT; Jackie Coleman, RHIT
- Hostess: Hailey Lee; Walid Al Abdullah

CHIA BUSINESS SUBMISSION DEADLINES

1. July 31, 2019 CLA Name of the Nominating Committee Representative
2. July 31, 2019 CLA Financial Reports & Quicken data file
3. Jan 31, 2020 CLA Financial Reports & Quicken data file
4. Feb 28, 2020 CLA Leadership Rosters
 - CLA Delegates to the 2020 CHIA House
 - CLA Board Leaders for FY 2020- 2021 (FY starts July 1, 2020)
5. May 1, 2020 CLA Proposed Budget
6. May 1, 2020 CLA Annual Report



SDHIA Social Media Corner

Join us and stay connected for the latest news, events, and networking opportunities.
Keyword for search: **SDHIA** (San Diego Health Information Association)



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Contact the newsletter at SDHIA@CaliforniaHIA.org to submit your articles and input by the 15th of each month.