Hello Everyone,

Here we are in November! November can be a busy month with the ramping up of the holiday season! Life can get busy with the myriad of things happening at the same time. I think of November as a month when being thankful is brought to the front for most of us, due to Thanksgiving. There is also before Thanksgiving, Veterans Day that happens on November 11th. Thank You to all soldiers who are volunteers, students and supporters of SDHIA.

At any waking moment of our lives we need to remind ourselves to be thankful to be able to get up in that early part of the day and influence each other’s lives. I would like to thank all the members, students and guests that come to the SDHIA monthly meetings. It shows you not only want to be learning about a HIM related topic, but you believe in investing in yourself and influencing others through information. Thank You, to our vendors for your sponsorships and contributions. I greatly thank the SDHIA Board members and guest member consultants for making SDHIA as an association possible with all your efforts and gratitude for volunteering.

As a gentle reminder, remember to use Eventbrite as your source for SDHIA events to take the hassle out of paper check-ins at the door. (Credit and Debit cards accepted.) This ensures you are e-mailed the speaker’s presentation. For our November 12th, 2019 meeting we have a military veteran that will be our speaker. I would also like to extend an invitation for our annual Holiday Party on December 10th, 2019 at Tom Ham’s Lighthouse. We will have, Cassi Birnbaum-AHIMA 2019 Distinguished Member Award Recipient as the speaker! There will be a grand prize raffle item along with several other prizes to be raffled. Please register early by December 3rd, 2019 to help count attendees.

At SDHIA we like to further extend a thank you to our students by offering our next scholarship awards.

**SDHIA SCHOLARSHIP:**

- **Deadline March 6, 2020**
- **Awards Announced, April 14, 2020**

Have a wonderful Veterans Day and Happy Thanksgiving!
October 22, 2019 Educational Meeting Speaker Recap

Speakers:

Mengistu Hika, MHIS, RHIA, CDIP, CHP, CSCS | Chief Health Information Officer with San Diego County Sheriff

Topic: What HIM Professionals do in Correctional Facilities

Our speaker, preferred to be called, “Hika” because it was easier for all to say his name. Hika gave a great in-depth presentation of the HIM process within the San Diego County jail system. Hika’s goal was to achieve the following:

- Opportunity to understand the Health Information Management Systems within the correctional facilities.
- The need of access to care within jail systems.
- Help to understand the duties and responsibilities of HIM Professionals within the jail systems.
- Enhance the care management the jail facilities
- Promote the care after the custody.

With Haka’s in-depth detail of the jail system, one of the highlights I can point out are the barriers to care for inmates that are considered unreasonable but may occur. Try and compare these with what we have as free citizens on the outside and our barriers:

- Punishing inmates for seeking healthcare needs.
- Assessing excessive fees that prevent or deter inmates from seeking care.
- Having unreasonable clinic hours for example, holding Medical Sick Call at 2:00 A.M.
- Having understaffed, underfunded, or poorly organized system that is unable to provide appropriate or timely access to care.
- Having a utilization review process that inappropriately delays or denies necessary healthcare.

HIM Professionals in Correctional Facilities are doing many things pertaining to:

- Maintaining inmates/patient health record.
  - ROI
  - County Counsel
  - Investigations
  - Continuity of Care
  - Social security services
  - Personal record
  - Pro-per
    - Should be granted by court
    - Terminated upon sentencing or conclusion of trial
  - Personal Property
    - ROI request while in custody
  - Retention of Records
  - Privacy and Security
Additionally, this October 26th there was a Coding Round Table (CRT). With this CRT we used the technology of a video meeting with our first presenter, due to their remote location and a trial for the attendees. Updates to come later this year or the first part of 2020 if this technology will continue to be used in future meetings.

**Speaker(s):**

**Louis Grujanic, D.O.** | Chief Medical Director | Accuity Delivery Systems (Skype)

**Victoria M. Hernandez, RHIA, CDIP, CCS-P** | AHIMA-Approved ICD-10-CM/PCS Trainer

Both speakers gave great presentations and provided relevant up to date material. SDHIA Thanks them both for taking the time to educate our members on a Saturday morning!

Thank You to our speakers, for great presentations and our guest for attending the October 2019 SDHIA Educational Meeting and Coding Round Table.

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**CHIA/SDHIA Nominating Committee**

*By Daniel Castanon, RHIA and Ashley Baker, RHIT*

Hello SDHIA members!

We are seeking nominations for the coming year. You may nominate yourself or a candidate you recommend.

Let me introduce you to the members of our new SDHIA Nominating Committee: Jackie Coleman, RHIT, Ashley Baker, RHIT and Daniel Castanon, RHIA. The CHIA Nominating Committee is chaired by Ashley Baker, RHIT.

The SDHIA Nominating Committee is tasked to identify qualified candidates on the SDHIA Board. This year we have the following positions to fill:

President-Elect for 2020-2021
Secretary for 2020-2021

The CHIA nominating committee is tasked to identify and submit names at the CHIA level so please let us know if you are interested or would like to nominate someone for CHIA Director, CHIA President-Elect, or AHIMA Delegate.

For more information or if you have further questions please contact:
For SDHIA questions: Daniel Castanon [dan.castanon@gmail.com](mailto:dan.castanon@gmail.com)
For CHIA questions: Ashley Baker [ashbaker252@gmail.com](mailto:ashbaker252@gmail.com)
UPCOMING EVENTS

Breast Cancer-A Person’s Journey through the Cancer Wilderness

Date: Tuesday November 12, 2019

Time: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Door Registration begins at 4:45pm

Location:
Sharp Corporate Building
Sharp Auditorium
8695 Spectrum Center Blvd.
San Diego, CA 92123

Program Description:
Learn and hear about a person’s journey through the cancer wilderness from diagnosis to treatment.

Speakers:
Dr. LENORA C. LANGLAIS--MS, BSN, CDR (USN-R)

The SDHIA Board would like to honor students and offer complimentary attendance for the November Educational Session. Must have a valid student photo I.D.

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

Registration Fee
$17 CHIA Member
$22 Non CHIA Member
Students Are FREE

Continuing Education CEU’s: 2
HIM Domain: Clinical Foundation/External Forces

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Leadership

Date: Tuesday December 10, 2019

Time: 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Door Registration begins at 4:45 pm

Location:
Tom Ham's Lighthouse
2150 Harbor Island Drive
San Diego, CA 92101

Tom Ham’s Lighthouse is located just outside of downtown San Diego on Harbor Island.

Speakers:
CASSI BIRNBAUM - MS, RHIA, CPHQ, FAHIMA

Early Registration Fee (Ends 4 Dec 2019):
- $40 Non-Member/Guest
- $35 AHIMA CHIA/SDHIA Member
- $30 Student Membership

Late Registration & At Door:
(Starts 5 Dec 2019)
- $50 Everyone

Continuing Education CEU’s: 2
HIM Domain: Management Development

Thank you to our sponsors!

A Happy Holiday Giveaway! Registered attendees will be entered into a prize drawing for various gifts and 1 GRAND PRIZE winner!

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There are 273 new ICD-10-CM codes effective October 1, 2019. In addition, there are 30 revised codes and 21 deleted codes. Addenda changes demonstrating the specific revisions to the code titles or instructional notes have been posted on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Center for Health Statistics website at https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd10cm.htm.

Some of the highlights to make note of are summarized below:

**Atrial Fibrillation (AF)** is a common cause of an abnormal, irregular heartbeat. The heart wall does not move normally in atrial fibrillation, so there is a risk of blood clots forming in the heart, and risk of thromboembolism, including thromboembolic stroke. AF is typically treated by electrical or pharmacological cardioversion.

Codes in category I48, Atrial fibrillation and flutter, were expanded and the following new codes created to provide unique codes to describe the different types of atrial fibrillation (AF).

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<td>Chronic atrial fibrillation, unspecified</td>
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**Phlebitis and Thrombophlebitis**

Previously, ICD-10-CM did not provide specific codes to capture phlebitis/thrombophlebitis involving the peroneal vein or muscular branch veins. Coding professionals were referred to nonspecific codes for “phlebitis and thrombophlebitis of other deep vessels of lower extremities.” However, these codes did not differentiate whether the “other specified deep vein” was proximal or distal, which is an important clinical distinction. New codes have been created to describe phlebitis and thrombophlebitis of the peroneal vein and the calf muscular vein of the distal lower extremities. Refer to CM codes I80.24X and I80.25X.

**Deep Vein Thrombosis**

New codes have been created to identify acute and chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of deep vessels of the distal lower extremities, such as the peroneal vein and calf muscular vein. The new codes will differentiate acute and chronic thrombosis involving deep veins of the proximal lower extremity, from acute and chronic thrombosis involving deep veins of the distal lower extremity. Refer to CM codes I82.45X, I82.46X, I82.55X, and I82.56X.
Pressure-Induced Deep Tissue Damage

Codes at category L89, Pressure ulcer, have been expanded to capture pressure-induced deep tissue damage of various sites. Pressure-induced deep tissue damage is also referred to as deep tissue pressure injury and deep tissue pressure ulcer and the new codes should be assigned for these conditions. The new codes were created to align with updates to the National Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel (NPUAP) pressure ulcer staging. Prior to this change, deep tissue pressure ulcers were coded to unstageable. Refer to CM codes L89 with final character 6.

Breast Lump in Overlapping Quadrants

Category N63, Unspecified lump in breast, has been expanded and two new codes were created to allow for proper code assignment when an unspecified lump in the breast overlaps anatomic sites classifiable to different codes. Refer to CM codes N63.15 and N63.25.

Post Endometrial Ablation Syndrome

Code N99.85, Post endometrial ablation syndrome, was created to allow for improved coding specificity and tracking of this syndrome. Prior to the creation of this code, there was no way to uniquely capture the syndrome, and only signs and symptoms related to the condition were coded.

Congenital Deformities of Feet

Category Q66, Congenital deformities of feet, was expanded to allow specificity to capture the actual part of the foot involved as well as laterality.

Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome (EDS)

Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome (EDS) is a clinically and genetically heterogeneous group of heritable connective tissue disorders. New codes were created for to distinguish between the most common and severe types of EDS recognized by the International Consortium on EDS. The most prevalent and common types of EDS are: Classical (Q79.61), Hypermobile (Q79.62), Vascular (Q79.63), Unspecified (Q79.60) and Other (Q79.69).

Prader-Willi Syndrome

Prader-Willi syndrome (PWS) is a complex neurodevelopmental disorder that affects many parts of the body. Code Q87.1, Congenital malformation syndromes predominately associated with short stature, was expanded and a unique code, Q87.11, Prader-Willi Syndrome, was created for PWS. This will help facilitate communication and research related to PWS. Code Q87.19 will capture other congenital malformation syndromes predominantly associated with short stature.

Cyclical Vomiting Syndrome

Code R11.15, Cyclical vomiting syndrome unrelated to migraine, has been created to specifically identify those cases in which a patient has cyclical vomiting that is totally unrelated to a migraine.

Pyuria

Subcategory R82.8, Abnormal findings on cytological and histological examination of urine, was expanded, and two codes were created to uniquely capture pyuria and other abnormal findings on cytological and histological examination of urine as follows: R82.81 Pyuria and R82.89 Other abnormal findings on cytological and histological examination of urine.
Fracture of Orbit
Changes have been made to subcategory S02.1, Fracture of base of skull, and new codes were created to provide additional detail on fractures of the orbital roof, right side, left side, and unspecified side. The changes to subcategory S02.1 and S02.8 resulted in 60 new codes, including the seventh character extensions.

Multiple Drug Ingestion
A new subcategory (T50.91-) has been created for poisoning by, adverse effect of, and underdosing of multiple unspecified drugs, medicaments and biological substances.

Exertional Heat Stroke
Unique codes were created to identify heatstroke and sunstroke (T67.01-), exertional heat stroke (T67.02-), and other heatstroke and sunstroke (T67.09-).

Z Code Update
There are two new status codes as noted below.
Z22.7, Latent tuberculosis—This code will allow differentiating patients that have been infected with the Mycobacterium tuberculosis bacterium but do not have active tuberculosis (TB) disease.
Z96.82, Presence of neurostimulator—This code includes the presence of neurostimulators for different sites (e.g., brain, gastric, peripheral nerve, sacral nerve, spinal cord, or vagus nerve).

In addition, the note at category Z68, Body mass index [BMI], has revised the age ranges for adult and pediatric BMI codes to resolve an overlap in the age ranges. The changes are as follows:
BMI adult codes are for use for persons 20 years of age or older. The previous note identified the age range as 21 years of age or older.
BMI pediatric codes are for use for persons 2-19 years of age. The previous note identified the age range as 2-20 years of age.

Other new codes are added in “History (of)”, “Screening”, “Counseling”, and “Routine and Administrative Examinations” categories.

Be sure to check all the new ICD-10 codes, explanations, and clinical descriptions in this coding clinic. We’ll look at the new PCS codes next month.

References: AHA Coding Clinic, Fourth Quarter, 2019, Volume 6, Number 4.

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2150 Harbor Island  
San Diego, CA. 92101

**Cassi Birnbaum**  
MS, RHIA, CPHQ, FAHIMA  
**Topic:** Leadership  
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**Location:**  
Sharp Techway Building  
8520 Tech Way  
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San Diego, CA 92123 | Maureen Matthews: **Topic:** Interventional Radiology Coding | **Topic:**  
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| **February 8, 2020**  
(Saturday)  
**Location:**  
Sharp Techway Building  
8520 Tech Way  
1\(^{st}\) Floor-Room A  
San Diego, CA 92123 | John Folger, RHIA, CCS, CCS-P  
**Topic:** Coding Round Table–New CPT Codes  
**Domain:** Clinical Classification Systems and Coding  
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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.

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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/
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- Hostess: Hailey Lee; Walid Al Abdullah

CHIA BUSINESS SUBMISSION DEADLINES
1. July 31, 2019 CLA Name of the Nominating Committee Representative
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

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