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Annual Conference
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CtHIMA News

CtHIMA, a non-profit organization whose members are experts in health information, promote and advance national standards in order to foster excellence through advocacy, professional development, innovation and leadership.

CtHIMA Annual Conference

Beyond HIM *Transformation*

August 16, 2019

Did you sign up yet? The agenda and registration information is on the CtHIMA website – be sure you sign up ASAP! The Sheraton Hartford South, Rocky Hill is the venue this year. The Sheraton South offers a central location, easy access on and off Interstate 91 and beautiful accommodations.

We will hear from returning and ever popular (and requested) speakers Jennifer Cox, Carl Schiessl and Robin Ingalls-Fitzgerald as well as new friends to CtHIMA, Justine Kuritz, Karen Profitt, and Kathy Harkness. Our AHIMA Liaison, Godwin Okafor will bring updates from the national office in Chicago. There will also be a full day Risk Adjustment and Coding Workshop led by Donna Malone.

Be sure you take a look at the agenda posted on the website for more information about topics that are presented information as it

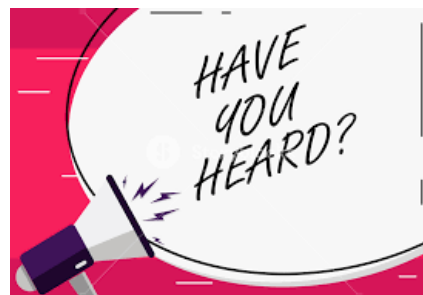
AHIMA 2019 Election

Be sure to cast your vote when the polls open July 8-July 22, 2019. This year's ballot includes candidate videos and the ability to engage with the candidates by asking questions and contributing to the conversation on the AHIMA Engage website.

Our own Connecticut connection includes **Elisa Gorton** who is a candidate for Director. You can also find her (and other) candidate videos and information on the Connecticut Engage site.

Exercise your right – and responsibility - to vote. Be a voice in who you want to help lead our association!

Vote July 8 – July 22, 2019



CtHIMA would like to display some of the information regarding our association's rich history at our next Annual Conference. Did you know that CtHIMA has the unique honor of being the oldest chartered state association in the country? Do you have old photos of friends and colleagues at an association meeting or AHIMA conference? How about banners, bags or mementos?

We would love to borrow them to display along with some of the CtHIMA archives. Please contact Tara Katynski, Liz Taylor or any board member for more information.

Congratulations to our new CtHIMA

Board Members:

Congratulations and Welcome Aboard goes out to our new board members! First year directors are **Wendy Fisher**, **Kristen Piccirillo**, and **Danielle Wilcox**. As first year directors these individuals begin their tenure July 1 and will serve on the board for two years. When you see them – please welcome them and give them a big THANK YOU!



May 22nd Educational Event: Managing and Leveraging Your Data

On Wednesday, May 22nd, CtHIMA sponsored an all-day learning session in the beautiful Flounder's Pavilion at Middlesex College in Middletown. Cindy Zak from Yale New Haven Health provided valuable considerations for Project Management to benefit all.

John Moynihan from Iron Mountain presented an insightful, almost documentary, on how to effectively utilize Information Governance to mitigate risk and improve resilience to any breach or cyber-attack.

During lunch, generously sponsored by J. Morrissey, the then candidates for the CtHIMA Annual Election were introduced and gave a brief speech.

(May 22nd continued)

Mary Lyon from the Connecticut Hospital Association next provided an in-depth, almost scientific look at the use of predictive analytics in healthcare.

Sadly, our special international guest speaker from Toronto, Canada was unable to attend due to a cancelled flight!

Karen Lawler, at the time CtHIMA past-president, lead a lively discussion on the top ten challenges currently facing healthcare from an article in Becker's published September 25, 2018.

Lastly, CtHIMA president Jim Donaher in his presentation explored other ways besides the now so popular HCCs to show risk across the entire spectrum of your patient population.



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Annual CtHIMA 2019 Conference!

Member, non-member, and student pricing available.



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