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## THIS WEEK'S TOP INDUSTRY & AHIMA NEWS

### NEW GUIDANCE FOR CLINICAL DECISION SUPPORT INTERVENTIONS

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recently issued new guidance about which interventions electronic health records (EHRs) must trigger to meet the criteria for Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Program's clinical decision support (CDS) objective. A CDS intervention must be based on relevant, timely patient and care process information and may appear in "real time" when it is most relevant to improve care provision.

Eligible professionals and hospitals must implement one CDS rule to attest to Stage 1 of meaningful use and must implement five CDS interventions in addition to drug-drug and drug-allergy interaction functionality to attest to Stage 2. [Access the tool.](#)

### CCHIIM RELAUNCHES THE CCS EXAM AUGUST 1

The Commission on Certification for Health Informatics and Information Management (CCHIIM) has announced that the Certified Coding Specialist (CCS) examination will be available again beginning August 1. The exam was suspended in all US and Global Pearson Professional Centers on March 31, due to exam security and integrity concerns. These issues have since been resolved in the US; there is no further information on when the exam will resume in Asia.

Registration for the exam is available in the [AHIMA Store](#). After registration and payment, an Authorization to Test letter allows registrants to schedule an exam date. A [list of testing centers](#) is available at the Pearson Vue website.

[Read more at the Journal of AHIMA website.](#)

### SYMPOSIUM: CURRICULUM MUST INCLUDE INFORMATION GOVERNANCE

As implementation of electronic health record systems and other health IT continues, health information as a clinical and financial asset is increasing in importance, and employers are beginning to look for employees to manage and run initiatives that maximize this asset. That is why a session at this week's 2014 Assembly on Education Symposium, in Chicago, IL, aimed to make sure data and information governance is integrated into higher education HIM programs.

Data and information governance principles are likely already there, says



The 2014 Roundtable Achievement in Coding Excellence (RACE) Awards are closing soon. [Submit your nomination](#) by **August 15** (forms are posted to Engage).

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Recommendations are

presenter Susan White, PhD, RHIA, CHDA. It is "a matter of pulling it out, giving it a name, and cultivating it." [Read more at the Journal of AHIMA website.](#)

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## WHAT HEALTHCARE CONSUMERS REALLY WANT

A new McKinsey & Company report debunks several pervasive ideas about digital health services for the public. One myth was that digital services only appeal to young people. The study found that both younger and older consumers want digital services. But older consumers wanted resources through channels such as websites and email, while younger consumers are more open to newer channels such as social media. In addition, when it comes to digital offerings, consumers care less about efficiency, better access to information, integration with other channels, and the availability of a real person if necessary.

[Read the full results at McKinsey's website.](#)

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## NEW PAPERS FROM INDUSTRY COLLABORATIVE AIM TO IMPROVE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

The National Network of Business and Industry Associations, made up AHIMA and leading industry associations that account for 75 percent of future jobs, welcomes recent [White House support](#) for workforce development. The National Network, which includes AHIMA Foundation Executive Director Bill Rudman, PhD, RHIA, has released "[Common Employment Skills](#)" a guide to the foundational skills all employees need to be prepared for a job. The National Network has also released a model of a 21st century competency-based apprenticeship, "[Learning While Working](#)" which guides employers who want to create an apprenticeship program.

[Read the full release.](#)

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### GET READY FOR THE AHIMA ELECTION – VOTING OPENS MONDAY



The AHIMA Election opens online at [vote.ahima.org](http://vote.ahima.org) this coming Monday, August 4 through August 18. Make sure you know the candidates. They are available for discussion in [Engage](#) until tomorrow, August 1 at 5 p.m. Their [platform videos](#) are also available any time at AHIMA on Demand.

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scarce for the use of genetic tests in healthcare. To develop best practices until better evidence is available, the **Institute of Medicine (IOM)** recently has released a summary of a workshop discussion on how genomic information is gathered, assessed, and evaluated for use in patient care.

Read the summary at the [IOM's website.](#)

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## SEEKING COMMISSIONERS AT-LARGE



The Commission on Certification for Health Informatics and Information Management (CCHIIM) seeks highly qualified nominees for consideration and potential appointment to CCHIIM as at-large commissioners. [Learn how to apply](#). If you have questions, please contact [heather.rich@ahima.org](mailto:heather.rich@ahima.org).

## EXPRESS YOUR OPPOSITION TO THE ICD-10 DELAY



After legislators rushed HR 4302, the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014, through Congress, ICD-10-CM/PCS implementation was delayed at least a year on April 1, 2014. [Contact your members of Congress](#) to express your disapproval of the delay, the financial costs, and that the code sets must be implemented.



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## EDUCATION & NETWORKING

**CONFERENCES AND EVENTS**

**WEBINARS**



[CDI Summit: Leading the Documentation Journey](#)

**August 4–5  
Washington, DC**

*On-site registration available.*

This summit offers keynote addresses from nationally recognized industry experts; a range of presentations on best practices, innovation, implementation, information governance, and ICD-10-CM/PCS; interactive sessions that showcase real world examples, advance networking opportunities, and provide critical insights to move CDI programs forward. Premier sponsor: 3M; Supporting sponsors: ACDIS, Huff DRG Review, Optum360, Precyse; With support from: CRS Healthcare IT Group, JATA

[Annual Clinical Coding Meeting](#)

**September 27-28  
San Diego, CA**

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Got five minutes? Learn [what awaits you](#) at AHIMA's 86th Convention & Exhibit, September 27–October 2, in San Diego, CA. [Register](#) by Monday to



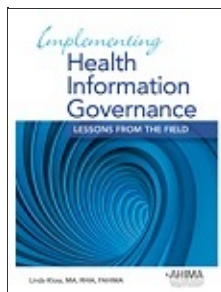
*Complimentary Webinar:*

[Results and Implications of the First Survey of Information Governance Practices in Healthcare](#)

**August 14, 2 p.m. CT**

Conducted by Deborah Green, MBA, RHIA, AHIMA's EVP and COO and leader of information governance (IG) initiatives, this webinar will present the findings of the first benchmarking survey on the state of IG practices in healthcare, key recommendations, and a the timing of key components of the IG work plan.

**FROM AHIMA PRESS**



[Implementing Health Information Governance: Lessons from the Field](#)

*Available for pre-order*

By Linda Kloss, MA, RHIA, FAHIMA

This book outlines lessons from healthcare organizations that have already made progress in formalizing information governance and it offers tested practices for aligning governance to the organization's goals, organizing and staffing governance and enterprise management, building on what is working, and guiding incremental improvement.

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