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THIS WEEK'S TOP INDUSTRY & AHIMA NEWS

FBI ISSUES HEALTHCARE HACKING WARNING

Reuters reports that the FBI has warned that healthcare industry companies are being targeted by hackers. The warning comes after Community Health Systems, Inc., sustained an attack in which millions of patient records were stolen. According to the article, the FBI "has observed malicious actors targeting healthcare related systems, perhaps for the purpose of obtaining Protected Healthcare Information (PHI) and/or Personally Identifiable Information (PII)."

In April, the agency warned that the healthcare industry's systems were not as secure as other sectors, and could attract hackers. The FBI's warning did not identify specific targets. [Read the article.](#)

You can also [read about the Community Health Systems theft](#) at the *Journal of AHIMA* website.

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CMS AND AHIMA TO OFFER JOINT WEBINAR ON ICD-10

AHIMA and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will present a webinar on ICD-10, "ICD-10: The Road Forward," on September 4, at 1 p.m. CT. Denesecia Green, acting director of the Administrative Simplification Group, along with panelists, will discuss key steps to ensuring a successful transition and resources to help with a smooth implementation. CMS will also demonstrate the new "[Road to 10](#)" tool, developed in collaboration with physicians to help clinical practices create a customized action plan for ICD-10. [Register in advance.](#)

INNOVATION AND MORE AT UPCOMING AHIMA CONVENTION

AHIMA is gearing up for its 86th Convention & Exhibit, taking place September 26-October 2 in San Diego, CA.

Healthcare innovation will take center stage during the General Session, Monday, September 29, as Nate Harding, CEO and co-founder of Ekso Bionics, demonstrates the benefit of merging technology with healthcare. Ekso Bionics



The next [application](#) deadline for AHIMA fellowship is tomorrow, Friday, August 29.

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The **US Department of Defense (DoD)** is accepting bids to fully modernize its electronic

has created a life-changing option for those who have survived spinal cord injuries and stroke or with lower extremity weaknesses.

Also that day, healthcare futurist Eric Topol, MD, director of the Scripps Translational Science Institute, will lead an interactive session on topics such as genomics, patient engagement, innovations in personal monitoring, and interoperability of wireless medical devices and electronic health records.

Previews of Convention sessions will run on the [Journal of AHIMA website](#) beginning September 17. Convention [registration](#) and the schedule is available at AHIMA's website.

RESULTS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES ELECTION

The AHIMA House of Delegates has cast their votes for the 2015 Speaker-elect and the amendment to the Affiliates Bylaws, which removes specific examples of affiliates. Thank you to all the candidates for your participation.

The new Speaker-elect is Elizabeth A. Delahoussaye, RHIA, CHPS. In addition, the Affiliates Bylaws amendment passed. You can learn more about the [amendment](#) on Engage.

This year's election had an 82 percent voter turnout rate. Thanks to all delegates who took the time to vote. See the final [vote tally by CSA](#) on Engage.

LAST CALL FOR COMMENTS ON ONC INTEROPERABILITY VISION

Earlier this summer, the Office of the National Coordinator (ONC) published a paper describing ONC's broad vision and framework for interoperability, titled "Connecting Health and Care for the Nation: A 10-Year Vision to Achieve an Interoperable Health IT Infrastructure." Input and comments from healthcare stakeholders are requested. Comments are due September 12.

Input will be included in a draft roadmap to be presented to ONC's Federal Advisory Committees in October, and version 1.0 will be posted for public comment in early 2015. [Access the document and comment.](#)

INTEROPERABILITY TO TAKE CENTER STAGE IN CHICAGO

The Health Level Seven International (HL7) Payer Summit will take place September 18-19 in Chicago, IL. HL7 is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing a comprehensive framework and related standards for the exchange, integration, sharing, and retrieval of electronic health information that supports clinical practice and the management, delivery and evaluation of health services. Part of the Plenary and Working Group Meeting also taking place in Chicago, September 14-19, this focused summit (only 40 payer attendees may register) will feature industry speakers offering strategic direction and practical information on interoperability for payers, including admission, discharge, and transfer; mobile health; the regulatory environment and more. [Learn more.](#)

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health records system. The military's system covers 9.8 million people worldwide.

Read more at the [Nextgov](#) website.



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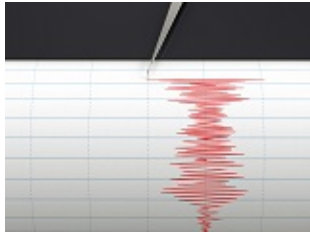
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After last week's earthquake in Northern California, your gift can ensure that, in the event of a disaster, help will be there for our members. The [Health Information Relief Operation \(HIRO\) Fund](#) provides assistance to HIM professionals recovering from natural or man-made events. Be what matters to a member in need. [Donate now.](#)



BECOME AN HIM ADVOCATE



Register for [Scheduling a Congressional Meeting](#), September 3 at 12 p.m. ET, a free webinar by AHIMA's Policy and Government Relations office in Washington, DC. Learn how to schedule and conduct a meeting with your federal legislators, and follow up on action items.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SHORT TERM TASK FORCE



AHIMA is seeking CDIP credential holders to join a three-week task force to write a practice brief on the value of the CDIP credential. Please e-mail melanie.endicott@ahima.org with your interest and resume by September 3.

MOVE YOUR CAREER FORWARD



Access the recorded Career Prep Webinar, "[Three Tricky Truths to Avoid Undermining Your Career Advancement](#)," facilitated by Lyne Tumlinson, ACC, CAE, CPBS, discusses how to focus your approach to entering the HIM profession, advance to the next level, or simply score better on your next evaluation.

ATTEND THE STUDENT ACADEMY

Students attending AHIMA's Convention this year in San Diego, CA, be sure to RSVP for the Student Academy, Sunday, September 28, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Learn about certifications and advancing your education, hear career advice from seasoned professionals, and discover all that the HIM



profession has to offer. RSVP to jessica.heraty@AHIMA.org.

EDUCATION & NETWORKING

CONFERENCES AND EVENTS



[AHIMA's 86th Convention & Exhibit](#)
September 27–October 2
San Diego, CA

Executive and federal insights sessions at this year's convention provide the latest industry news, federal updates, and innovative ideas. Among the speakers are healthcare futurist Eric Topol, MD; Judy Murphy, RN, FACMI, FHIMSS, FAAN, Chief Nursing Officer, ONC; and Karen DeSalvo, MD, MPH, MSc, National Coordinator for Health IT, US Department of Health and Human Services.

[Annual Clinical Coding Meeting](#)
September 27-28
San Diego, CA

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Attend AHIMA's Annual Clinical Coding Meeting for invaluable education and training, cutting edge speakers, and great networking opportunities. Topics include clinical documentation improvement, compliance risks, ICD-10 readiness, electronic health records, and more. Register today for this important event.

WEBINARS



Webinars start at 1 p.m. ET and last 60 minutes.

September 9
[The Missing Ingredient: Effective Internal Communications](#)

September 23
[Keeping Compliant: HIPAA, the Omnibus Rule, and Data Privacy, Confidentiality, and Security](#)

NEW FROM AHIMA PRESS



[Strategies for Electronic Document and Health Record Management](#)

Available for pre-order

By Darice Grzybowski, MA, RHIA, FAHIMA

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