

Preparing for What's Next In Healthcare:

Wed. April 14th

Coding Bonus Session for Physician Services – 8am – 12pm, 1pm – 4 pm

Today's session will cover a variety of topics.

1. Evaluation and Management review with a focus on Wellness and Illness Coding. Learn to recognize and correctly assign codes for wellness, illness, and wellness and illness on the same day.
2. E/M & Surgery Coding – Bundling and modifier issues are huge when E/M and surgical services are rendered together. Documentation tips plus pre-op services and use of the CCI/MPFSDB.
3. Injection Services – Help for the coder who struggles with correctly coding for immunizations and infusions services.
4. 99211 the Do's and the Don't's – Many questions surround non-clinician visits (nurse visits). Explore which types of services are billable and which are not.
5. Othopaedic Coding – Surgery topics including guidelines for fractures and endoscopies/arthroscopies.

Your speaker:

Shawn R. Hafer, CCS-P, CPC, consultant and co-owner of Brown Consulting has more than 20 years of physician coding and reimbursement experience in a variety of specialties. She holds coding certifications from both the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) and the American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC) and is a member of both organizations.

Shawn has been with Brown Consulting for 11 years and is a coding instructor at the College of Southern Idaho and for Northwest Regional Primary Care Association. She provides coding seminars and webinars for many state medical associations including the Idaho Medical Association, Montana Medical Association, Iowa Medical Society, West Virginia Primary Care Association, Northwest Regional Primary Care Association and many other regional and national groups.

She is uniquely qualified due to her diverse management skills and experience, as well as her coding and billing expertise. Her coding and documentation training projects have included small rural health clinics served by visiting providers to large inner-city clinics with more than 100 providers. Shawn has worked with healthcare defense attorneys on behalf of physicians involved in third party payer audits. Shawn attended the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, ID and Pima College in Tucson, AZ.

Wednesday, April 14th

Spring Meeting Conference

12 – 1 pm Registration

1-2:30 pm

Track I - Achieving and Maintaining Data Quality for EHRs and RHIOs

Beth Just, AHIMA Board of Directors, CEO and President of Just Associates, Inc.

Focus on the importance of implementing Data Quality initiatives as part of a new or existing EHR deployment or RHIO initiative. If Data Quality is not addressed, both physician adoption and the effectiveness of an HER can be compromised. Effective participation in a RHIO is also compromised as electronic health records cannot be linked across participating organizations.

Your speaker: Beth Just currently serves on the AHIMA Board of Directors and was appointed Chair of the Board's Industry Team. As Chair, she serves as the Board's primary conduit to other healthcare professional associations, companies and legislative officials.

Track II – IT Meaningful Use

Shar Sheaffer, Dingus, Zarecor & Assoc.

Track III – Medicaid and Payer Forum

Brett Williams, Allegiance, New West, BCBS, EBMS

2:30- 3 pm Vendor Break

3-5 pm

Track I –

3-4 pm HIPAA HiTech Act and FTC Red Flag Rule

The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH Act), enacted February 17, 2009, provides additional protections for the privacy and security of patient health information. Part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). HITECH Act significantly modifies the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). HIPAA itself was an attempt to respond to the growing public concern over the protection of medical records by imposing regulations to address patient confidentiality, but the HITECH Act adds a number of new requirements concerning privacy and security for health information that materially and directly affect many more entities, businesses, and individuals in more diverse ways than HIPAA. Business Associates are now subject to HIPAA, and penalties for privacy breaches were significantly increased by the HITECH Act.

On November 9, 2007, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) issued the "Red Flags" Rule, which requires "creditors" and "financial institutions" to develop written plans to prevent and detect identity theft. The rule is a section of the Fair and Accurate Credit Transaction Act ("FACT Act") of 2003, a federal law which requires the establishment of guidelines for financial institutions and creditors regarding identity theft. Health care professionals fall into the category of "creditors" because they do not always receive payment in full from their clients at the time of treatment. The FTC has voted three times to delay enforcement to allow creditors additional time to develop and implement written identity theft prevention programs. Currently, enforcement of the Rule has been delayed until June 1, 2010, although the Rule is technically in effect now and health care professionals are expected to comply.

Erin MacLean, is a private practice attorney with the firm of Luxan & Murfitt, PLLP. She is legal counsel to a number of health care clients, including health care practitioners and facilities, health care associations, and long term care facilities in Montana and Wyoming. Her legal practice includes advising clients on legal issues related to health care law, employment law, administrative law and general business practices. She also represents clients in litigation arising in those areas of practice. During the 2009 Montana Legislative session, she lobbied for the Montana Medical Association and the Montana Dental Association. Ms. MacLean is also currently the chair of the State Bar of Montana's Health Care Law Section.

4-5 pm AHIMA Update

Beth Just, AHIMA Board of Directors

Track II – Internal Auditing 101

3-5 pm Sharon Hartzel, Moss Adams

Track III –

3-3:30 **Noridian**

Ashley Shearer

3:30- 5 **PFS Roundtable**

5 pm Vendor Welcome Reception

Thursday, April 15th

7-8 am Continental Breakfast

8-9 am

Track I, II, III – RAC, Assess Your Risk

Bill Hammock, RN, BSN, CMC, ACM, CPHQ

Marsh Risk Consulting

9-10 am

Track I, II, III – RAC, Estimating Financial Impact

Rachel Malvin, Larson Allen

10-10:30 Vendor Break

10:30-12 pm

Track I, II, III - RAC Roundtable

Facilitated by: A. Craig Eddy

Panelists: Dr. Bernice Hecker, Noridian
Jennifer McManis, Bozeman Deaconess
Joy Killham, Barrett Hospital
Patti Reisinger, Community Medical Center
Vicki Willcut, Kalispell Regional Medical Center

12-1:15 pm

MHIMA Business Meeting and Luncheon

HFMA Business Meeting and Luncheon

1:30 – 3 pm

Track I – RAC – What’s Happening at the Local Level

Brian Elsa, Narcess Chesi, Region D RAC Project Officers

LCDR Brian Elza, Doctor of Physical Therapy, began his federal career in March 2003 with the Indian Health Service in Arizona, where he worked and lived on the Hopi Indian reservation. He received his commission into the United States Public Health Service later that same year. During his service there, he provided direct patient care and became Acting Chief of the Physical Therapy Department. In October 2005, LCDR Elza transferred to the Gallup Indian Medical Center in Gallup, New Mexico, where he continued to provide direct patient care as well as serving as Inpatient Coordinator for the Rehabilitation Department and as the Center Coordinator for Clinical Education. In August 2008, LCDR Elza came to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services where he is currently a Project Officer for the Region D RAC, HealthDataInsights (HDI) and a Manager of the New Issue Review Team.

Narcessa joined CMS June 2007. She has worked for the Social Security Administration as a Contact Representative/trainer and for CareFirst Blue Cross Blue Shield, as a Senior Medicare Enrollment Specialist. She is currently enrolled in the University of Baltimore Master’s program for Public Administration and has a BA degree in Health Care Administration.

Track II – Improving Performance & Adopting Better Practices in Managing Costs

Chad Mulyaney, HFMA

Track III - Observation vs Inpatient and Other HOT Topics

Dr. Bernice Hecker, Noridian

3-3:30 Vendor Break

3:30 – 5

Track I, II, III – Good To Great Leadership

Brian Moreau, Sr. Director Information Technology, Marcus Daly Memorial Hospital

5 pm Vendor Networking Social/ Silent Auction

Friday, April 16th

7:30-8 am Continental Breakfast

Track I

8:30- 9:30 **New CoP Format**

Jane Schumacher, MHIMA CoP Facilitator

9:30 – 10:30 **ICD 10**

Jennifer McManis, MHIMA President

Track II

8-10 am - Healthcare Reform

Dr. Nick Wolter

Nancy Rehkamp, Larson Allen

10-10:15 am Break

10:15 – 11:15 am CMS Rural Update
Lyla Nicho