President’s Address

I must say this has been an amazing year so far. We have accomplished many things in our strategic plan and are working on completing many more. Currently we have Hill Day scheduled for April 2, 2013, from 7:30am to 11am at the Capitol. We will be working with MS Representatives concerning Medicaid payment issues. If you are having any Medicaid issues please contact me at 601-735-7259 or lmills@waynegeneralhospital.org.

We are also in the last stages of planning the 2013 MSHIMA state convention that will be held in Hattiesburg, June 18 – 21. On June 18, we will be having 2 pre-conference workshops this year. One will be on Injections & Infusions and the other will be on Privacy and Confidentiality by Kelly McClendon, RHIA, CHPS from Compliance Pro solutions, LLC. We will be offering many tracts this year. We will feature Meaningful Use, E H R, Clinical Documentation, Revenue Cycle, I10 coding, and a physician office tract on Friday. 3M will be offering their User Group meeting on Friday afternoon. For the I10 sessions we will offer actual coding. Please bring I10 books if you have them. We are working on providing copies at the meeting, but we are not sure as to the number that will be available. We are also planning a family night for the President’s Reception on Wednesday night. We will be having the reception at Grand Paradise Water Park in Collins. Please visit the website for further information and a copy of the registration form. It is important that we are able to plan for lunches and events by members completing pre-registration forms. We are excited to offer such an affordable meeting compared to other professional associations.

Another exciting endeavor we have undertaken is a partnership with the Mississippi Hospital Association. MSHIMA will be providing speakers and offering workshops in collaboration with MHA. We are both very excited about this! We hope to be offering some great educational sessions very soon for our membership.

We will be rolling out the 2013 – 2014 ballots very soon. I cannot tell you how hard it is to find willing people to serve in the association. It does take work and effort to keep MSHIMA active. Please take an interest in your profession and help us strive to bring HIM professionals to the front of the industry. As always, we are in need of volunteers to serve in the coming years. It is important to have new faces participating each year. New faces bring new ideas, new ideas bring new life, and new life grows MSHIMA.

I have enjoyed the first part of my year as President and hope the rest of my term is just as exciting. I have been able to network with many new people so far, but more importantly I have made new friends. Thank you so much for helping further the HIM profession. Live your life, Love what you do, and Laugh often. I hope to see you all in June and please remember: We can fix it, Yes we can! You can fix it, Yes you can!
The Mississippi Health Information Management Association is Mississippi’s community of health information management professionals, promoting quality, access, and security of health information in all health care settings for the benefit of the members, health care consumers and providers.

### Services for MSHIMA Members
- Representation at the national level through delegates to AHIMA
- Continuing Education Programs throughout the state
- Annual MSHIMA Meeting
- Provide liaison with health-related organizations, government agencies and other health care disciplines
- Publish and update MSHIMA’s Legal Manual
- Coding Roundtable

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### Stay involved with MSHIMA through your local council meetings. Refer to MSHIMA’s Council Map at www.mshima.org/councils.php to see which council you belong to.

### Pine Belt Council:
- Contact Cassandra Stribling, RN, CCS, CM, CPUR cstribling@forrestgeneral.com

### East Central Council:
- Contact Lacey Loper, RHIA Lacy.Loper@rushhealth.com

### Delta Council
- Vacant Council - Contact Lorie Mills at lmills@waynegeneralhospital.org if you are interested in taking over this council!

### Northeast Council:
- Contact Stacey Upton, RHIT, CCS SBUpton@nmhs.net

### Jackson/Vicksburg Council:
- Contact Angie Buckley, RHIT, CCS ABuckley@mbhs.org

### Southwest Council:
- Contact Melissa Findley, RHIT, CCS mffindley@smcc.edu

### Gulf Coast Council:
- Contact Nellicia Sturgis, RHIT Nellicia.sturgis@hma.com

### Upcoming Events!

Do you have an upcoming event you would like other MSHIMA members to know about?
Contact Constance Walley at constancewalley@gmail.com to have your event placed on the MSHIMA website and in the quarterly newsletter.

### Mark your calendars now!

**2013 MSHIMA Annual Meeting**
**June 19 - 21, 2013**
**Hattiesburg, MS**
How did you become interested in the HIM Field?
I started in transcription and worked my way to coding, then management. I always loved to learn and found that this field was fast-paced and ever changing and knew I had found the career for me. After 15 years in the active field, an opportunity presented itself to move into education and opened a whole new world for me professionally and personally. I love teaching others about our field...it’s reminded me why I love what we do. I try to encourage my students to pursue HIM jobs that may be considered “out of the box” but truly have a need for HIT expertise. With job duties and facility needs changing every day, the need for HIT professionals has branched out to many non-traditional areas and opportunities are endless for our students and fellow HIM professionals in our state.

What are some of your goals for MSHIMA this year?
I would love to see our name continue to become a given standard for quality HIT employees as well as a resource for the medical communities of our state. I would also like to see credentialed and experienced members able to benefit from their MSHIMA memberships by having access to more resources for their careers and their personal lives. As a MSHIMA board member for several years, I have seen the great need for volunteerism in our association and would encourage all members to participate in a council, a committee, or even a board position.

What is your motto, in either life or work?
One of the most important lessons I am still learning in my personal life, as well as my professional life, is patience. When God closes one door, He always opens another (better) one. Jeremiah 29:11

MS DIVERSITY COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR YOU!

With all of the day to day challenges HIM professionals face, we always stay busy. But, we also have a duty that goes beyond the workplace. With so many new professionals entering the growing HIM field, the need for mentors to guide students, new members, and current members as they transition into the field or into a new job role is greater than ever! Keep in mind that ALL HIM professionals make ideal mentors. Share your knowledge and skills with the next generation. In turn they will share fresh new ideas with us and everyone will grow and benefit. If you are interested in becoming a mentor, please contact Christy E. Roberts, RHIA at croberts@georgeregional.com or 601-766-6394.
MSHIMA STATE CONVENTION
JUNE 19 – 21, 2013
HATTIESBURG LAKE TERRACE
CONVENTION CENTER

Tracks Include:
- Revenue Cycle
- Technology
- ICD-10-CM Coding
- Quality Reporting
- ICD-10-PCS Coding
- Physician Office
- CDI

Full agenda listed on the next page!

Join us Tuesday night for one of two pre-conference workshops!
- Injections & Infusions
- Privacy & Confidentiality

Join us Wednesday for the President’s Reception
at Grand Paradise Water Park in Collins.

Join us after the conference on Friday for
the 3M User Group Meeting.
1:00—4:00 PM

Registration Forms are now available!

HOTEL INFORMATION:
- Courtyard by Marriott
  (601) 268-3050
code: mshs
- Residence Inn
  (601) 264-9202
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**3M User Group Meeting will be held on Friday from 1:00 – 4:00 PM**

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**1 hour Vendor CE also available**
“Moving Forward”

As we enter into the new year many things are changing in the HIM profession. As we go through these changes many will suffer growing pains. But, have faith, there are solutions for the questions we may all have. We must strategize to minimize the stress that always comes with change. The conversion from ICD-9 to ICD-10 and to an EHR is an exciting time to be working in the HIM profession.

The Pine-belt Council held its quarterly meeting at the Olive Garden Restaurant in Hattiesburg to celebrate the approaching holidays. Though we are a small group, we are a very blessed group. Gifts were exchanged and a meal shared as we discussed the changes we have seen and expect to see during the coming years.

The topic of the evening was “Moving Forward-What does it Take?” Current issues Facing Today’s HIM Directors. The discussion was lead by Kathy Monroe RHIA, HIM Director Forrest General Hospital. The questions during the discussion were:

1. What are your best strategies for getting physicians to complete their charts?
2. How do you monitor DNFB and what are your strategies to reduce it?
3. How do you monitor your department?
4. How do you manage difficult physicians?
5. How do you see the HIM Department evolving? What will it be in 10 years?
6. What are your top 3 resources (books, websites, etc.) that you use regularly on the job? Why?
7. If a HIM professional wants to move up the ladder, what is your advice?
8. What does the C-Suite really want from the HIM department?
9. How do you prepare staff for change?
10. Are you ready for a “True EHR”?

Easy access is one of the easiest ways to get physicians to complete charts and other tasks. This also helps to reduce the tension that sometimes occurs with those physicians that are difficult. A strategy for keeping the DNFB down is increased coder productivity. Staying on a steady pace and minimizing interruptions helps you to stay on task thus keeping productivity up. In many HIM settings productivity is monitored through the coding system by the number of charts completed per coder. The group discussed how to make yourself valuable to your department through; continuing education, credentials and learning to do more than one task within the department. This will also help you to move up faster in the department.

Change is never easy but always necessary to keep up with the growing medical industry. So, let us keep moving forward with enthusiasm in the exciting years to come.

Cassandra R. Stribling, RN Coder, CCS, CM, CPUR
AHIMA-approved ICD-10 CM/PCS Trainer
MSHIMA Pinebelt Council Director
It’s time to vote for your 2013-2014 Board of Directors! Look for the entire ballot and voting instructions in your in-box.

Visit the [Awards page](#) on the website to view qualifications for each award!
Do you know someone who wants to join MSHIMA’s Mailing List? They can send an e-mail to constancewalley@gmail.com with Mailing List as the subject!

**MSHIMA BYLAW REVISION**

At the behest of AHIMA, in order to make the bylaws of the CSAs (component state associations) consistent with those of AHIMA, the Bylaws committee has made proposed revisions to the MSHIMA Bylaws. The revisions can be found on the [MSHIMA Website](https://secure.ahima.org/certification/ce/cereporting/) for review by MSHIMA Members.

The most significant changes to the actual substance of the bylaws were the addition of another membership category (emeritus), the delineation of duties for the CEO of the CSA (formerly considered the Executive Director), and a provision for a leave of absence for board members.

The membership will be voting on the proposed changes during the Business Meeting to be held during the 2013 State Convention on June 20, 2013. If members have any questions or comments prior to the meeting, please contact Susan Perkins, RHIT, CCS, CHC — MSHIMA Bylaws Committee Chair or any member of the MSHIMA Board.

AHIMA’s CEU Reporting Center has been redesigned with you in mind!

Now you can record CEUs at any time throughout your cycle, and officially report when your CEUs are due. You can print your CEU validation certificate, view your self-review certificate of completion, and even purchase quizzes. You can also view historical information in the Completion History section.

Log in to explore the redesigned CEU Center. ([https://secure.ahima.org/certification/ce/cereporting/](https://secure.ahima.org/certification/ce/cereporting/))

If you have any questions regarding the reporting of your CEUs, please contact AHIMA at (800) 335-5535, or submit a customer request.
Help MSHIMA Grow!!

Are you interested in making a donation to MSHIMA?

If so, please contact our Executive Director, Ron Melvin at ms_hima@bellsouth.net, or visit http://www.mshima.org/forms.php and print off the MSHIMA General Accounting Statement.

Making a donation is a quick and easy way to help our organization grow!!

Thanks for your support!!

Do You Need HIT Implementation Help??

Need HIT implementation assistance to meet federal meaningful use requirements? Contact the Mississippi Regional Extension Center, operated by eQHealth Solutions.

Visit eQHealth Solutions online at: http://www.eqhs.org/rec/Home.aspx or via their toll free number at: 1-888-557-1926

AHIMA CEUs

The AAPC offers CEU-for-CEU credit for all AHIMA audio conferences and workshops. They also honor CEUs from AHIMA for online self assessments. A certificate of attendance or completion is necessary to show participation. One hour of instruction is worth one CEU. AHIMA CEUs are accepted from programs sponsored by AHIMA national offices and the state AHIMA branches.

The AAPC does not accept CEUs from other entities that offer “AHIMA approved” CEUs. These organizations must apply separately for AAPC CEUs and receive an AAPC index number and CEU value.

Please go to http://www.aapc.com/medical-coding-education/help/index.aspx, open the approved content tab and scroll down to AHIMA CEUs for full details.

Highlighting AHIMA Benefits

A free benefit offered to AHIMA members is a subscription to the award-winning Journal of AHIMA. The Journal of AHIMA is an excellent resource for the HIM professional, offering career information, industry news, guidance, and more!

Visit http://www.ahima.org/membership/memberbenefits.aspx for more information on all of AHIMA’s Benefits!

Kristy Nugent, RHIA
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<td>Join AHIMA for the 2013 Leadership and Advocacy Symposium, March 18, and Hill Day, March 19, in Washington, DC. The Leadership and Advocacy Symposium is a one-day collaborative educational conference that brings AHIMA’s leadership together to engage in dialogue that sets the strategic direction and advocacy efforts of the HIM profession and the Association. Hill Day provides members the opportunity to interact and advocate for HIM with their Congressmen. Symposium registration is complimentary to AHIMA CSA Leadership.</td>
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<td>HIPAA created the privacy and security floor for the confidentiality of protected health information (PHI). Since its inception in 2002 and 2003 respectively, the protection of PHI continues to be a significant challenge throughout the healthcare industry. The final HITECH rule, as a result of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) adds substantial modifications to safeguarding PHI and the way those practices are implemented today. Join AHIMA for this one and a half day meeting to take an in-depth look at these new changes as well as discuss the operational impacts and implementation challenges.</td>
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More upcoming AHIMA meetings can be found at:

. . . trying to answer questions about how to meet Meaningful Use measures with your EHR system.

. . . trying to answer questions about how to capture and submit quality measures with your EHR system.

Would you be interested in EHR workgroups specific to your electronic health record to assist you with answering questions?

Information & Quality Healthcare (IQH), the MS Regional Extension Center and other Learning & Action Network partners are arranging EHR workgroups that connect Mississippi clinics with the same EHR systems to assist in answering questions regarding Meaningful Use, Quality Reporting and eRx. We need your feedback.

If you are interested in participating in free EHR workgroups, please click on the link below and take 2 minutes to answer 6 brief questions and provide contact information to assist IQH in establishing these workgroups. Contact rdrake@msqio.sdps.org or cnixon@msqio.sdps.org to have a questionnaire emailed or mailed to your practice.

EHR Workgroups Questionnaire Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/IQHEHRQUESTIONNAIRE1
School Update:
Southwest Mississippi Community College
Health Information Technology

Southwest Mississippi Community College is in the final stages of the CAHIIM accreditation process. The site visit has been scheduled for March 6 and 7 and the faculty are very excited.

The students are actively working on their Silent Auction item for the annual meeting. There are also plans to hold a fundraiser this semester to help raise the funds for their registration fees to attend the state convention in Hattiesburg. There are currently 20 students that will potentially be attending and they are looking forward to networking and learning more about the HIM field.

Southwest has partnered with Southwest Mississippi Regional Medical Center to celebrate HIM week in March. Students have ordered T-shirts designed by the hospital.

For more information on this program, please contact Program Director, Melissa Findley, RHIA, CCS at 601-276-3882 or mfindley@smcc.edu.
We hope you are enjoying our new feature that focuses on a HIM related vendor that operates within Mississippi.

For this edition, we sat down with Jerry Sims from Greenway Medical to ask how his organization can assist HIM professionals in today’s technology based workplace.

1. Can you tell us a little about yourself and your company?
   I’m a graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi, where I earned a BA degree in Mathematics with a minor in Economics. I am married with three sons, one of whom is an OB/GYN physician in Jackson, Mississippi.

   I work as a regional sales manager for Greenway Medical Technologies, with a territory covering Louisiana and Mississippi. Greenway delivers software and business services to ambulatory care providers through PrimeSUITE®, a leading integrated electronic health record, practice management and interoperability platform.

   Before joining Greenway, I managed physician practices that included an ENT group for 12 years and a GI group for 14 years. I also worked for 18 months with a rural hospital group in Mississippi. I was president of the Medical Group Management Association of Mississippi for two years and served on its board for several years.

2. How long have you been working with clients in Mississippi?
   I’ve been working with Greenway clients in Mississippi for eight years.

3. What types of services does your company provide?
   In addition to the PrimeSUITE EHR and practice management platform, Greenway provides a wide range of related, added-value solutions for data exchange, patient portal, mobile access, revenue cycle management (RCM), clinical research and more. Details on the solution set are at www.greenwaymedical.com/solutions.

4. What seems to be the #1 point of frustration for healthcare organizations today and how can your company help them overcome it?
   I think payments cuts are probably the top frustration for healthcare companies today, and payment models are obviously evolving. Greenway’s highly interoperable EHR platform helps providers deal with payment cuts by helping them operate more efficiently. Greenway is also at the forefront of meaningful use stage 2, offers an RCM solution that integrates billing intelligence and clinical care, and recently acquired a claims clearing-house solution that will be integrated—just three of the many ways Greenway is helping providers navigate the future of healthcare.
5. What are future concerns that you see coming down the pipeline?
The health IT concerns of the future are already here: the exchange of patient data and patient privacy. We’re now operating in an electronic world, and will continue to see significant advances in data liquidity – making readily available to those throughout the health community who have a need and right to access – while protecting that data from all others.

6. How can members contact you if they have further questions?
I can be reached by email to jerrysims@greenwaymedical.com, or by phone at 601-583-3313 (office) or 601-260-4381 (mobile).

Thank You to
Angela Morey, MSM, RHIA

Order your MSHIMA Legal Manual Today!!

Have you purchased the newly updated MSHIMA Legal Manual yet? It is on sale for the incredibly low price of $100. You can't beat that price!! Order your copy TODAY!"

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Health Information Professionals Week
March 17-23

Health Information Professionals Week is a showcase for the thousands of health information management (HIM) professionals who perform their duties masterfully throughout the year. The American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) is honored to provide support, representation, and training to HIM professionals for these valuable contributions to the healthcare industry.

AHIMA proudly partners with the Canadian Health Information Management Association (CHIMA) in promoting our shared goals. We thank the members and facilities that make each Health Information Professionals Week a memorable addition to our rich history and for supporting the Week.

Visit the AHIMA Website for more information.  http://www.ahima.org/events/recogweeks.aspx
Announcing the MSHIMA 2013 POSTER CONTEST...

STEP ONE - Create a poster using our 2013 Annual Meeting Theme “We Can Fix It, Yes We Can!”. Use construction tools within your design and reflect how HIM Professionals are always the RIGHT TOOL for the JOB! Help us market OUR PROFESSION!

RULES - Submissions ONLY from MS residents in an accredited program; Individual or a team (no larger than 3); contact your HIM Program Chair and Christy Roberts, RHIA at (croberts@georgeregional.com or c) 601-766-6394 or c) 251-510-8763 to let them know you are entering the contest; must use tri-fold poster board; & posters must be submitted to your program chair by 03/25/13.

PRIZE - Win a FREE Full Registration to the AHIMA 2013 Convention in Atlanta, GA! Your Poster will be on display at the MS Annual Meeting in Hattiesburg on Wednesday June 19th in Hattiesburg, MS. All participants should plan to be present that day.

Good Luck!!

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**Mission**
To support Health Information Management professionals in the state of Mississippi by providing opportunities for professional development, advocacy training, leadership growth, communication of ideas and promotion of health information best practices.

**Vision**
The Mississippi Health Information Management Association will be the recognized leader in matters related to Health Information Management for the state of Mississippi.

**We Value:**
- **Our Profession** as evidenced by association support of AHIMA initiatives and promotion of health information technologies.
- **Our Growth** as evidenced by support of HIM education programs and participation in HIM awareness campaigns within each region.
- **Our Members** as evidenced by consistent investment in educational programs that are reasonable in cost and regional in location.
- **Our Fiscal Responsibilities** as evidenced by regular budgetary reviews and reports to the membership.
- **Our Customers** as evidenced by strong advocacy of patient privacy rights and confidentiality of health information.
- **Our Future** as evidenced by strategic planning that provides direction and momentum for organizational endeavors.

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