REVIEWERS SOUGHT: COMMENT ON PROPOSED MU TIMELINE EXTENSION

Last Friday, May 23, the Office of the National Coordinator and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services published a proposed rule that, among other things, would "provide eligible professionals, eligible hospitals and critical access hospitals more flexibility in how they use certified electronic record technology (CEHRT) to meet meaningful use...The proposed rule would let providers use the 2011 Edition CEHRT or a combination of 2011 and 2014." Comments on the proposed rule are due July 21. AHIMA is reviewing this item for comment. If you are interested in participating, please contact AHIMA's director of government relations at Don.Asmonga@ahima.org.

Access the proposed rule in the Federal Register.

AHIMA TO REPORT ON IG IN HEALTHCARE AT HEALTH DATAPALOOZA; REGISTRATION CLOSES FRIDAY

The fifth annual Health Datapalooza, starting this Sunday, June 1, through June 3, in Washington, DC, will include a presentation by Deborah Green, MBA, MS, RHIA, AHIMA's executive vice president of operations and chief operating officer, on the results of the first survey on information governance (IG) in healthcare, conducted earlier this year by AHIMA and Cohasset Associates.

Health Datapalooza is attended by established companies, startups, academics, government agencies, and individuals to discuss new and inventive uses of health data to improve patient outcomes. Pre-registration closes tomorrow, Friday, May 30. AHIMA members interested in attending can use the code AHIMAPalooza to receive 10 percent off.

June 5, noon to 1 p.m. CT: Join an Information Governance Twitter Chat, using the hashtag #IGNow to discuss information governance best practices and the forthcoming whitepaper based on AHIMA's recent IG survey with Cohasset Associates.

'MORE ICD-10 CODING BASICS' MLN CONNECTS NATIONAL PROVIDER CALL: JUNE 4

It's not too late to register for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services' MLN Connects National Provider Call, "More Coding Basics," coming up June 4,
1:30-3 p.m. ET. This call will address the partial code freeze and 2015 code updates, why ICD-9-CM is being replaced with ICD-10-CM, documentation tips, and more. Sue Bowman, MJ, RHIA, CCS, FAHIMA, AHIMA senior director, coding policy and compliance, will present. A question and answer session will follow. Learn more and register.

**EXPERTS CAUTION: IF YOU'RE ON SOCIAL MEDIA, YOU NEED INFORMATION GOVERNANCE**

An article on the *Journal of AHIMA* website reports on last week's National Conference on Managing Electronic Records, held May 19-21 in Chicago, IL, where experts said that because social media platforms have contributed to a transformed landscape, they require information governance policies.

Since legislation related to social media policy is constantly changing, information managers should stay on top of past, present, and future developments. In addition, presenters said that information managers should consider whether their organization has a specific platform that allows retention rules to be set, and whether that application applies rules that delete content after expiration of retention parameters. [Read the full article.](#)

**ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PRIVACY REGS FORUM TO BE WEBCAST AND RECORDED**

A public "listening session" will be held June 11 by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to gather public input on updates under consideration to the Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records Regulations, Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 2 (42 CFR Part 2). The regulations were last updated in 1987, before significant changes to both healthcare delivery and information privacy and security regulations. The day's proceedings, held in Rockville, MD, will be webcast, recorded, and made publically available. [Register to attend in-person or via teleconference.](#)

Formal comments are due June 25. [Access the proposed changes and questions to be discussed.](#)

**GET INVOLVED**

**SUBMIT YOUR TRIUMPH AWARD NOMINATION BY MONDAY**

AHIMA's prestigious Triumph Awards honor extraordinary leadership, volunteerism, and talent in HIM. The 2014 awards will be presented in September at AHIMA's 86th Annual Convention & Exhibit in San Diego, CA. Time is running out—Nominations are due this coming Monday, June 2.

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**SPEAK AT AN AHIMA WEBINAR IN 2015**

e-Health Summit, May 19, at CMS headquarters in Baltimore, MD.
Are you interested in presenting a 60-minute webinar for AHIMA? Be recognized as an industry expert, while reaching more than 71,000 members. Apply to be an AHIMA speaker on coding, ICD-10-CM/PCS, leadership, or health information technologies, with more topics available.

ATTEND THE 2014 LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM

July 11-12, at the Westin Michigan Avenue in Chicago, IL, AHIMA and CSA leaders and delegates will engage in strategic direction, envisioning the future, and honing HIM focus. Interactive sessions will also address strategic planning and environmental scanning. Registration and reduced hotel rate end June 13.

ATTENTION, STUDENTS: ENTER BY FRIDAY

Student members have until Friday, May 30, to create and submit a bulletin board showing the importance of AHIMA's strategic pillars (Leadership, Innovation, Informatics, Public Good, and Information Governance). Winners receive $500 or five registrations to AHIMA's Convention & Exhibit in September.

LAND YOUR FIRST JOB, LAUNCH YOUR CAREER

Register for "Launching a Career with Your First Job," June 11 at noon CT, facilitated by Geoff New, MBA, RHIA, CRCR, of Conifer Health Solutions. Get tips to help you land your first job and use it as the foundation to launch your career.

EDUCATION & NETWORKING

CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

PUBLICATIONS

Clinical Coding Workout
AHIMA's Annual Clinical Coding Meeting
June 6-7
New Orleans, LA

On-site registration starts June 5 at 4 p.m.

This must-attend event for all stakeholders in the coding industry provides in-depth focus on ICD-10-CM/PCS and other initiatives driving healthcare today. Not-to-miss sessions include "Challenges in Clinical Documentation: Stories from the Front Line" by Jonathan Elion, MD, and "Embracing Coding Certification through the ICD-10 Storm" by Kelli Horn, RHIT, CCS, CCA.

WEBINARS

Webinars are 60 minutes long, starting at noon CT.

June 5
How to Handle HIPAA Security Breaches Properly

June 12
Preparing for PHI Request for Restrictions

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Clinical Coding Workout, With Answers

PRICE: $99.95
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Product Number: AC201515

Clinical Coding Workout, Without Answers

PRICE: $69.95
MEMBER PRICE: $54.95
Product Number: AC201615

Applied Clinical Informatics (ACI) Journal (subscription and archive)

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PRICE: $54.60
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