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AHIMA Joins with Artifact Health, Provides Standardized, Compliant Templates For Platform that Streamlines Time-Consuming Physician Queries

CHICAGO and BOULDER, Colo. – March 4, 2019 – The [American Health Information Management Association](#) (AHIMA) has joined with [Artifact Health](#) to provide and maintain a comprehensive library of compliant physician query templates utilized within Artifact’s HIPAA-compliant, cloud-based platform. Artifact provides the first and only mobile platform that streamlines the physician query process, engaging physicians, clinical documentation improvement (CDI) specialists and coders with an easier and faster process to drive improvements in hospital and physician coding accuracy and publicly reported quality measures.

The leading source of health information management (HIM) education, training and policy making, AHIMA recently published its [Guidelines for Achieving a Compliant Query Practice \(2019 Update\)](#) to establish and support industry-wide best practices for the function of clinical documentation querying. Through this partnership with Artifact Health, AHIMA will widely disseminate its standardized, electronic query templates and educational guidance for physicians, CDI and HIM professionals to help clarify clinical documentation and ultimately improve the quality of patient records.

“It’s the perfect alliance – Artifact makes it easy for physicians to respond to queries quickly, and AHIMA ensures query template information provided will be compliant,” said AHIMA CEO Wylecia Wiggs Harris, PHD, CAE. “Efficient and accurate coding is vital to meet compliance, and it’s our responsibility as leaders of HIM to guide this process and ensure accurate health records and proper reimbursement for hospitals and physicians.”

Typically, the query process is onerous and time-consuming for physicians. With Artifact Health’s mobile platform, physicians respond to a query compliantly in seconds, often with as few as three taps on their smartphone. Query activity is automatically tracked and reported, rather than manually recorded by CDI specialists and coders, and available in real-time dashboards and reports.

“The alliance between AHIMA and Artifact Health is an industry first for standardizing compliant query workflow,” said Marisa MacClary, Co-founder and CEO of Artifact Health. “Hospitals and health systems can integrate AHIMA’s world-class knowledge and best practices into their physician query process and be assured queries and educational guidance are accurate, compliant and current.”

About AHIMA

The American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) represents more than 103,000 health information professionals in the United States and around the world. AHIMA is committed to promoting and advocating for high quality research and best practices in health information and to actively contributing to the development and advancement of health information professionals worldwide. www.ahima.org

About Artifact Health

Artifact Health provides the first and only mobile platform that streamlines the physician query process so hospitals can improve the quality of patient records and ensure full reimbursement for services. Already in use by thousands of physicians, Artifact simplifies a traditionally time-consuming, multi-step process allowing physicians to respond to queries anytime, anywhere in seconds. By shortening average physician response time to queries by 20x, Artifact helps CDI specialists and coders receive more accurate responses faster, which can translate into millions of dollars in revenue for hospitals. Visit www.artifacthealth.com to learn more.

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