



news

233 N. Michigan Ave., 21st Fl.
Chicago, IL 60601

phone >>(312) 233-1100

fax >>(312) 233-1090

web >>www.ahima.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For more information, please contact:
Bridget Stratton
Public Relations
312-233-1097
bridget.stratton@ahima.org

Journal of AHIMA Honored for ‘Superior Quality and Innovation’
Publication Wins Bronze Award for Highlighting the Evolving HIM Workforce

CHICAGO – April 18, 2014 – The *Journal of AHIMA*’s August 2013 issue highlighting and analyzing Health Information Management’s (HIM) evolving workforce earned a Bronze award in the Association Media & Publishing’s (AM&P) 2014 EXCEL competition.

The issue was honored for excellence in the category “Magazines: Single Topic Issue.”

The idea behind the August *Journal* was to showcase HIM’s significant changes, challenges and exciting opportunities as a result of the ongoing industry transition from paper to electronic health records (EHRs).

“For 84 years, the *Journal* has provided our members a monthly look at where the profession is and where it is going,” said AHIMA CEO Lynne Thomas Gordon, MBA, RHIA, CAE, FACHE, FAHIMA. “With change comes natural apprehension, but after reading the articles in the issue, it is clear there are massive, exciting opportunities that have developed alongside the advancement of EHRs and health information technology.”

The articles provide expert advice to prepare for and embrace the opportunities ahead. They feature a mix of practical workforce guidance (“[Integrity of the Healthcare Record: Best Practices for EHR Documentation](#)”), discuss the importance of continuing education (“Taking the Doctoral Challenge; Mapping the Future of HIM Education”) and provide insight into new career opportunities (“[The Next HIM Frontier: Population Health Information Management Presents a New Opportunity for HIM](#)”).

AM&P, the national membership organization serving the needs of association publishers, business operation executives, communications professionals, designers and content generators, received more than 900 entries for this year’s awards. The AM&P wrote that the *Journal*’s work “displayed superior quality and innovation.”

This is the eighth award the *Journal* has garnered in the last five years for excellence in journalism.

###

About AHIMA

The American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) represents more than 71,000 educated health information management and health informatics professionals in the United States and around the world. AHIMA is committed to promoting and advocating for high quality research, best practices and effective standards in health information and to actively contributing to the development and advancement of health information professionals worldwide. AHIMA's enduring goal is quality healthcare through quality information.

www.ahima.org