

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND PUBLIC SERVICE
Health Information Management
Advisory Committee Meeting
April 11, 2019

PRESENT:

Marci Arkin, RHIA, Director HIS, San Ysidro Health Centers
Judy Courtemanche, Retired, Former System Director HIM Operations, Sharp System Services
Cassi Birnbaum, MS, RHIA, CPHQ, FAHIMA, System Wide Director, UC San Diego Medical Center
Natasha Dasaro, Program Assistant, UC San Diego Extension
Celerina Cornett, Director Healthcare Education Department, UC San Diego Extension
Suzanne Forrest, Systemwide Director of Coding, Sharp Healthcare
Lorraine Wilson, HIM Director, Scripps Health

Mesa College Faculty and administration
Tina Recalde, DPT, Dean of Health Sciences and Public Service
Holly Jagielinski, MPH, RHIA, Assistant Professor
Connie Renda, MA, RHIA, CHDA, Assistant Professor and Program Director
Shawn Faucett, Work Based Learning faculty
Cindy Purnell, Project Support Technician, Allied Health

- 1) **Call to Order/Introductions:** The meeting was called to order at 4:45pm. Introductions were made.
- 2) **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from October were reviewed and approved as written by Holly seconded by Marci.
- 3) **Identify trends in health information industry**
 - a) Project management
 - b) E-Consent project
 - c) POLST registry; attach to HL7 message then deliver documents into registry
 - d) Population health; ACO, Medicare, Fee for service, risk adjustment, HCC coding
 - e) San Diego Health Connect
 - f) Coding changes
 - i) Focus on edits, CDI, medical necessity, auditing
 - ii) Quality, external reporting
 - iii) HACs benchmarking, triggers
 - iv) Single path coding-profee and inpatient together
 - v) Systems=clinical documentation, providers entering charge capture, diagnosis, compliance
 - vi) Higher level; critical thinking
 - g) AI, advanced technology
 - h) Student health, EPIC connecting with other hospitals (UCSD-UCI-UCR)
 - i) Chart corrections; MPI data analyst; data integrity positions
 - j) Job descriptions listing RHIT preferred such as data coordinator; RHIA required in high level HIM analyst positions; manage vendors, POC scanning

4) HIMS Program Statistics

- a) 25 students in junior class; 16 students in senior class-first full 4 year cohort graduation May 2019;
- b) Fall 2019 application period Feb 1-April 30; will accept 32 according to scoring rubrics including GPA, work experience, interview, 3 short essays; application fully online
 - i) Cassi suggested to try to hone in on students who plan to work in the field and make a difference in the profession; look to modify questions on the application.

5) CAHIIM accreditation status

- a) Fully accredited! APAR EPC # 181
- b) Site visit was August 29-30, 2018; 6/32 items had minor revisions; completed within 30 day window; cited as one of the best site visits and invited to present at CAHIIM conference in Chicago April 15-17

6) DCP capstone course 16 projects-please plan to attend poster presentations on May 17 from 9-11am

7) RHIA exam pass rate and job rate

- a) 2018 graduates: 9 passed first time; 2 scheduled; 4 have not registered; 12/15 working in field
- b) 2019 graduates: early testing forms complete; 13/16 working in the field

8) Curriculum review: 2 year revision complete

9) Thank you to our community partners for an excellent semester full of rewarding DCPs for the students!

Next Meeting Date: The next Health Information Management Advisory Committee meeting will be in October 2019.

10) Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:10pm.