



For The Record

July, 2009

Hello All! Here is the latest newsletter, based on the submissions received. Enjoy!

Eastern Health

Eastern Health City Hospitals would like to wish Pauline Morgan and Edie Wade a wonderful, healthy and happy retirement. Both staff entered the next stage of their lives effective May 31, 2009.

We will also be saying good-bye to Madonna Yetman and Donna Leamon in the near future. Donna will retire at the end of June and Madonna will be starting her permanent vacation towards the end of July. A retirement tea was held for Pauline, Edie and Donna on Friday, May 29, 2009. What a wealth of experience and knowledge they will take with them. My only hope is that they have managed to pass some on to the next generation.

Submitted by: Evelyn Connors

Two of our retirees...

Madonna Yetman (l), and Pauline Morgan (r)

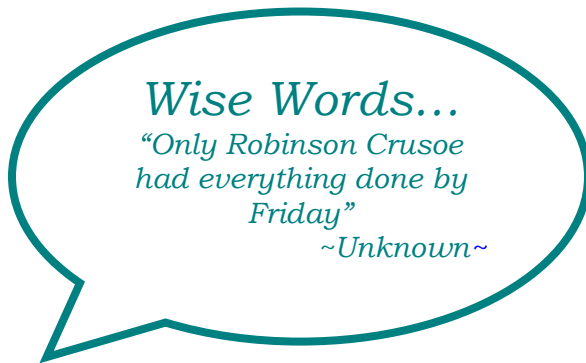


*May the years of your Retirement,
Be the rich, rewarding kind,
And may there be no limit to,
The happiness you find!*



Congratulations are also sent out to Diane Ryan and Janet Forward, who were the successful candidates for Eastern Health's vacant and soon to be vacant analyst positions.

Well done ladies!



Central NL Regional Health Center

HIM professionals at the Central Newfoundland Regional Health Center have now relocated their office from Medical Records to an office located in the Admitting Department. This area provides fewer distractions to enable coders to complete coding in a timely manner. HIM professionals at the CNRHC are also pleased to report that they have met their target deadline for submission of the 2008 fiscal year.

We are also pleased to announce that Jonathan Troke has completed the HIM Program as *the first graduating class with CompuCollege!* Additionally, Jonathan has completed and passed his *National Certification Exam!* Jonathan completed his student placement at the Central Newfoundland Regional Health Center and has just been hired to the on-call list. Congratulations and welcome aboard Jonathan!

2009 NLHIMA SPRING DATA QUALITY SESSION

The NLHIMA Spring Data Quality Session was held on May 25, 2009 in St. John's at the General Hospital Health Sciences Centre in the main auditorium. The full day session was attended by participants from Central and Western Health via videoconference and in house participation from Eastern Health.

We were privileged to have Dr. Brent Tompkins, Radiation Oncologist present on Brachytherapy, Dr. Bill Eaton present on Dementia and Rodolfo Pike, Clinical Nurse Educator present on Cardiac Catheterization devices. The mandate of the NLHIMA education committee is to provide quality education sessions to its members our presenters by their participation enabled the education committee to meet this mandate.

In addition a review of the sessions evaluation forms indicated the session was one of the best Spring Data Quality Sessions ever!

Thank-you NLHIMA Education and Professional Development Committee members this was certainly a collaborative effort.

Thank-you also, to all those who participated in our education session by your attendance.

2009 NLHIMA PDD and AGM

The PDD will be held on October 1, 2009 and the AGM on October 2, 2009 at The Capital Hotel in St. John's.

Speakers are still to be confirmed. Please check the NLHIMA website for updates as they become available.

Fundraiser

Tickets are now on sale for our fundraiser; the proceeds of which are used for the NLHIMA Georgina Williams Memorial Scholarship. Thanks to all in advance for your work in selling and/or purchasing tickets.

Committee Membership

Committee membership is up for renewal in October. The association will be looking for new members; please consider joining the Education and Professional Development Committee your participation through committee membership will help to ensure our association maintains a strong provincial presence.

Enjoy a safe and happy summer and see you in October!

Submitted by: Lillian Wilson

CHIMA 2009 ANNUAL CONFERENCE & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING JUNE 11- JUNE 13, 2009

I recently had the privilege of attending the National Association's AGM in

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Having attended many teleconference meetings with all the provincial presidents, it was nice to finally meet them in person; and we discussed several initiatives of pertinence to our members. CHIMA will be conducting a Sector study; the intent of which is to determine all the different job/titles that represent the profession. It focuses on the supply of HIM's and HI professionals, and the potential demand for future positions.

Additionally, CHIMA will be sending out the survey in the near future, please make very effort to complete the survey. We also discussed the development of the Electronic Health Record; as a member of the NHIMA I am encouraging you, the members, to get involved and take an active part in the development of the EHR. The NHIMA committee members worked on a slide presentation outlining provincial EHR initiatives from their respective provinces. Copies of the slides will be sent out to the members via the Communications Committee

The theme of the Convention was "Beyond the Horizon". Canada seems to be on a go forward basis in terms of HER, and in every aspect of the progression, HIM professional are invited to participate. I see this as a positive step for our profession as well as our National and Provincial Associations. In keeping with the theme, the presenters focused on the contributions HIM professionals are making, and will be making in the future. I have a CD entitled "CHIMA 2009 Annual Conference & Annual General Meeting", if you are interested in viewing this CD, please let me know and I will arrange for you to have it.

Thank you and have a great summer.

*Alicia Trask
President, NLHIMA*