

**2012-2013
Mid-Year
Committee/Advisory Council Report**

Committee Name: Health Information Management

Chairperson: Dale Owen

List of members: Dale Owen, RHIT, Wilbarger General Hospital, Assistant Director of Medical Records; Tina Anderson, CCS, U.R.H.C.S, Medical Records Coder; Sandra Herron, Chang Neurosurgery & Spine Care, Medical Records Director; Debbie Burlison Clinics of North Texas, Medical Records Director; Brenda Elliott, Seymour Hospital Medical Records Director; Trena Franks, Kell West Regional Hospital, Medical Record/Transcription Manager; Cindy Majewski, U.R.H.C.S; Medical Records Director; Christi Bragg, Community Healthcare Center, Client Services Manager; Eugenia Winchell, Texas State Hospital, Medical Records, Supervisor; Beth Majewski, Community Healthcare Center, Medical Records Supervisor; Judy Faske, Wilbarger General Hospital, Director of Medical Records ; Gary Don Harkey, Dean of Instructional Services; Shana Munson, Associate Dean of Career and Technical Education; Sharon Winn, Associate Dean of Instructional Services; Roxanne Hill, RHIA, HIT Program Coordinator; Ruth Rascon, RHIT, HIT Instructor; Karen McClure, Secretary

Dates of meetings: Wednesday October 15, 2012

Accomplishments:

- Elected Officers, Dale Owen, Chair; Sandra Herron, recorder
- ICD-9 to ICD-10 is a 50/50 presentation in the classroom
- APAR scores for CAHIIM accreditation from Oct, 2011 to Jan 30, 2012 are 100%. VC implemented a change to the program requirements that stated in the 2012-2013 handbook that VC will only pay for testing if taken within 60 days. All agreed the sooner the students take the test the more information they retain.
- Five students projected to graduate in December. There are currently 15 students enrolled in HITT 1301. VC currently has 24 students with their major declared as HIT Associate, and 3 students with certificate
- Checking with Region 9 on available resources. Ruth has been gathering information on dual credit. New clinical sites at Hillcrest, Dr. Fox, veterinarian, in Vernon and Back to Basic.
- Ruth renewed her ICD-10 coding in July. Continuing at Texas State to obtain bachelors of HIM.

- Working well with current clinical sites. Ruth spent numerous hours in local Dr. offices this summer advocating the program. Tina with United Regional has been an invaluable asset in promoting and supporting VC's program.
- VC had an excellent turn out for the Guys night out promotion. Ruth had 8 males in her class and lab for the entire evening.
- Participated in a Career Roundtable with United Regional Hospital
- Two students anticipating to graduate in May
- One to graduate in August
- Participated in Career Summit in Midland

Recommendations:

- Renewing ICD-10 CM/PCS July 2013
- AOE/FDI in Maryland in July
- TxHIMA in June
- Completing an ICD-10 boot camp May 17th and June 7th
- Participating in Career Fair April 23rd
- Continue ICD-10 training for community
- Continue to encourage promotion toward gender equity
- Educate community on importance of ICD-10 change and implementation
- VLAB for Fall 2013-\$3500
- Complete HIM link on Vernon College website
- TxHIMA to do more webinar training would be cost effective

Membership suggestions:

- Sandra suggested appealsolutions.com great online resource tool for insurance and billing information for students
- Dale suggested reinforcing revenue cycle and clinical documentation improvement in courses

Agendas, exhibits and minutes posted to Vernon College web site address:

Submitted by: Ruth Rascon

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