Convention Jambalaya

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Running from September 26 to September 30 in New Orleans, LA, the 87th Annual AHIMA Convention and Exhibit created many notable quotes. Here, in honor of its host city's famous cuisine, is a media jambalaya from the AHIMA convention.

Bethany Bultman, president of the New Orleans Musicians Clinic, on how the need for electronic health records evolved after Hurricane Katrina:

"We can never have anything like that happen again. If people think they can't afford to have electronic medical records, or to make sure they're accessible, they need to realize that people's lives are at stake."

Cassi Birnbaum, MS, RHIA, CPHQ, FAHIMA, AHIMA president, during the House of Delegates meeting:

"This will be the last convention where we will have to talk about ICD-10 implementation, because we'll have already crossed the finish line. You did the heavy lifting. Our efforts were unprecedented."

Beth Shanholtzer, MAEd, RHIA, FAHIMA, co-presenter of the session "I Want to Teach"

"I realize this sounds cliché, but new graduates will play a huge role in the growth of our profession and in proving to hiring managers the high level skills that we possess."

Deb Green, MBA, RHIA, AHIMA's executive vice president and chief innovation and global services officer, in her general session speech:

"[As organizations move up the IG maturity curve] they increase their ability to trust and leverage their data and information, minimize risk, and make critical decisions confidently... We like to call this, in IG terms, return on information."

Liz Jazwiec, RN, from the Studer Group, during the Sept. 28 general session

"The way you feel about your job is up to you,"

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