

Internet Resources for HIM Professionals (2010 update)

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Editor's note: This update replaces the 2001 practice brief "Internet Resources for HIM Professionals."

[Note: The reader is asked to take into account the date of this practice brief and that some of the information in it may be out of date.]

Background

The Internet provides virtual, instantaneous access to a plethora of information that influences our work and helps us to stay current with legislation, best practices, and industry trends.

This practice brief lists 10 of the many popular destinations and resources found on the AHIMA Web site. It also contains a separate list of numerous Internet resources that HIM professionals in all care settings might find useful. This list is not exhaustive, nor does inclusion on this list represent AHIMA's endorsement. All URLs were accurate at press time.

AHIMA www.ahima.org Individual links are provided below. Members can also sign on to MyAHIMA at www.ahima.org . Be sure to visit www.ahima.org to explore some of the other resources that are available at AHIMA.	
Advocacy & Public Policy Center -this page offers AHIMA's resource analysis and comments on national policy and industry initiatives. It includes the Advocacy Assistant tool, which assists members in contacting legislators and providing advocacy assistance at the local, state, and federal levels on HIM issues.	www.ahima.org/advocacy/default.aspx https://secure.ahima.org/login/default.aspx?appletid=AdvocacyAssistant
Body of Knowledge -this is an online library providing content relevant to HIM professionals. Some documents are available to the public, while others are available to members only.	bok.ahima.org
Career Assist -career connection tool for job seekers and employers.	http://careerassist.ahima.org/home/index.cfm?site_id=681
Communities of Practice -this online tool allows members to communicate and share information with other members.	http://cop.ahima.org/
Ethics -this page contains AHIMA Code of Ethics, Standards of Ethical Coding, Ethics Self Assessment, and Professional Ethics Committee Policy and Procedures.	www.ahima.org/about/ethicscode.aspx
Journal of AHIMA -the home page of AHIMA's official publication.	http://journal.ahima.org/
Newsletters -this page lists all the AHIMA newsletters available to members.	www.ahima.org/publications/newsletters.aspx
Perspectives in Health Information Management -the home page of AHIMA's online research journal.	http://perspectives.ahima.org/
Recertification -this page contains information on maintaining certification and includes the CEU Center.	www.ahima.org/certification/recertification.aspx

Resources-this page provides resources such as tool kits, FAQs, source documents, and other information are www.ahima.org/resources/default.aspx

Internet Resources for HIM Professionals	
Resource	Web Site
Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAHC)	www.aaahc.org/eweb/StartPage.aspx
Accredited Standards Committee X12 (ASC X12)	www.x12.org/
Acronym Finder	www.acronymfinder.com
ADVANCE for Health Information Professionals	http://health-information.advanceweb.com/
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)	www.ahrq.gov/
American Hospital Association Central Office Coding Resources	www.ahacentraloffice.org/
AHIMA Foundation	www.ahimafoundation.org/
AllLaw.com	www.alllaw.com/
AllLaw.com State Resources	www.alllaw.com/state_resources/
America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP)	www.ahip.org/
American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)	www.aafp.org/online/en/home.html
American Association of Preferred Provider Organizations (AAPPO)	www.aappo.org/
American Bar Association (ABA)	www.abanet.org/
American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE)	www.ache.org/
American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG)	www.acog.org/index.cfm
American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA)	www.ahima.org
American Health Lawyers Association (AHLA)	www.healthlawyers.org/Pages/Default.aspx
American Hospital Association (AHA)	www.aha.org
American Hospital Directory (AHD)	www.ahd.com/
American Medical Association (AMA)	www.ama-assn.org
American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA)	https://www.amia.org/
American National Standards Institute (ANSI)	www.ansi.org/
American Osteopathic Association (AOA)	www.osteopathic.org/
Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)	www.ada.gov/
Anatomy Atlases	www.anatomyatlases.org/
AnyWho	http://anywho.com/
ARMA International (previously known as Association of Records Managers and Administrators)	www.arma.org/
Association for Healthcare Documentation Integrity (AHDI), formerly the American Association for Medical Transcription	www.ahdionline.org/
Association of State and Territorial Health Officials	www.astho.org/
ASTM International (previously known as American Society for Testing and Materials)	www.astm.org/
Blackboard	www.blackboard.com/
BlueCross and BlueShield Association	www.bcbs.com/
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)	www.cdc.gov/
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services	www.cms.gov
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Internet-Only Manuals	www.cms.gov/Manuals/IOM/list.asp
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Medicare Home Page	www.cms.gov/home/medicare.asp
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Quality Initiatives	www.cms.gov/QualityInitiativesGenInfo/
Certification Commission for Health Information Technology (CCHIT)	www.cchit.org/
Cleveland Clinic	http://my.clevelandclinic.org/default.aspx

Code of Federal Regulations (CFR): Main Page	www.gpoaccess.gov/cfr/index.html
Code of Federal Regulations, Electronic (e-CFR)	http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&tpl=%2Findex.tpl
Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management (CAHIIM) Education	www.cahiim.org/
Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)	www.carf.org/home/
Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP)	www.chapinc.org/
Conditions for Coverage (CfCs) and Conditions of Participations (CoPs)	www1.cms.gov/CfCsAndCoPs/01_Overview.asp
U. S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	www.hhs.gov/
Discovery Health	http://health.discovery.com/
Disease Management Association of America: The Care Continuum Alliance	www.dmaa.org/
ECRI Institute (previously known as the Emergency Care Research Institute)	https://www.ecri.org/Pages/default.aspx
Family Violence Prevention Fund (FVPF) Health Care Resource Center	http://endabuse.org/section/programs/health_care
Federal Judiciary: United States Courts	www.uscourts.gov/Home.aspx
<i>Federal Register (FR)</i>	www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/
<i>For the Record Magazine</i>	www.fortherecordmag.com/
Government Printing Office, United States	www.gpo.gov/
HCPPro	www.hcpro.com
Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA)	www.hcca-info.org//AM/Template.cfm?Section=Home
Health Information Technology Government Portal	http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt
Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) Privacy and Security Rules	www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/
Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) Transaction and Code Sets Standards	www.cms.gov/TransactionCodeSetsStands/01_Overview.asp#TopOfPage
Health Level Seven International (HL7)	www.hl7.org/
Health on the Net Foundation (HON)	www.hon.ch/
Health Story Project	www.healthstory.com/
Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Level II-HCPCS National Codes	www.cms.gov/MedHCPCSGenInfo/
Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP)	www.ahrq.gov/data/hcup/
Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS)	www.ncqa.org/tabid/59/Default.aspx
Healthcare Financial Management Association (HFMA)	www.hfma.org/
Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS)	www.himss.org/ASP/index.asp
Healthfinder.gov	www.healthfinder.gov/
HealthGrades	www.healthgrades.com/
HealthScout	www.healthscout.com/
Healthwise	www.healthwise.org/
Health.gov	www.health.gov/default.asp
Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation	www.kff.org/
Hospital Compare	www.hospitalcompare.hhs.gov/
ICD-9-CM Guidelines, Conversion Table, and Addenda	www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd9cm_addenda_guidelines.htm
ICD-10-CM Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting	www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd10cm.htm
Indian Health Service	www.ihs.gov/
International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP)	https://www.privacyassociation.org/
<i>International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM), Diagnosis Codes (Volumes 1 and 2)</i>	www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd9cm.htm

<i>International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM), Procedure Codes (Volume 3)</i>	www.cms.gov/ICD9ProviderDiagnosticCodes/
<i>International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM)</i>	www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd10cm.htm
International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Procedure Coding System (ICD-10-PCS)	www.cms.gov/ICD10/13_2010_ICD10PCS.asp#TopOfPage
International Classification of Diseases for Oncology, 3rd Edition (ICD-O-3)	www.who.int/classifications/icd/adaptations/oncology/en/index.html
International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF)	www.who.int/classifications/icf/en/
International Federation of Health Records Organizations (IFHRO)	www.ifhro.org/
International Health Terminology Standards Development Organisation (IHTSDO)	www.ihtsdo.org/
International Organization for Standardization (ISO)	www.iso.org/iso/home.html
International Project Management Association (IPMA)	www.ipma.ch/Pages/default.aspx
ipl2, the result of a merger between the Internet Public Library (IPL) and the Librarians' Internet Index (LII)	www.ipl.org/
Joint Commission	www.jointcommission.org/
<i>Journal of AHIMA</i>	http://journal.ahima.org/
<i>Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association</i>	http://jamia.bmj.com/content/current
Leapfrog Group	www.leapfroggroup.org/
Logical Observation Identifiers Names and Codes (LOINC)	http://loinc.org/
MayoClinic.com	www.mayoclinic.com/
Medical Dictionary	http://medical-dictionary.com/
Medical Group Management Association (MGMA)	www.mgma.com/
Medical Library Association (MLA)	www.mlanet.org/
Medical Transcription Industry Association (MTIA)	www.mtia.com/
Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC)	www.cms.gov/MedicareContractingReform/
Medicare Coverage Database (contains National Coverage Determinations [NCDs] and Local Coverage Determinations [LCDs])	www.cms.gov/MCD/overview.asp
Medicare Learning Network (MLN)	www.cms.gov/MLNGenInfo/
Medicare Provider Analysis and Review (MEDPAR)	www.cms.gov/MedicareFeeForSvcPartsAB/03_MEDPAR.asp
MedLearn	http://medlearn.com/
Medline Plus	http://medlineplus.gov/
Merck Manuals	www.merck.com/pubs/
MLA Top 100 Websites	www.caphis.mlanet.org/consumer/
Monster.com	www.monster.com/
My PHR	www.myphr.com/
National Academies Press	www.nap.edu/
National Archives and Records Administration	www.archives.gov/
National Association for Healthcare Quality (NAHQ)	www.nahq.org/
National Association of County and City Health Officials	www.naccho.org/
National Association of Health Data Organizations (NAHDO)	www.nahdo.org/
National Cancer Institute (NCI)	www.cancer.gov/
National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI)	www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/
National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)	nccam.nih.gov/
National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS)	www.cdc.gov/nchs/

National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC)	www.ncchc.org/
National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA)	www.ncqa.org/
National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS)	www.ncvhs.hhs.gov/
National Drug Code (NDC) Directory	www.fda.gov/Drugs/InformationOnDrugs/ucml42438.htm
National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI)	www.genome.gov/
National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Computer Security Resource Center	http://csrc.nist.gov/
National Institutes of Health (NIH)	www.nih.gov/
National Kidney Foundation (NKF)	www.kidney.org/
National Library of Medicine (NLM)	www.nlm.nih.gov/
National Practitioner Data Bank Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank (NPDB-HIPDB)	www.npdb-hipdb.hrsa.gov/
National Quality Forum (NQF)	www.qualityforum.org/
National Technical Information Service (NTIS)	www.ntis.gov/
National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC)	www.nubc.org
National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC)	www.nucc.org/
National Vital Statistics System (NVSS)	www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss.htm
Nursing Home Compare	www.medicare.gov/NHCompare/
Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP)	www.hhs.gov/ohrp/
Office of Inspector General (OIG), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	www.oig.hhs.gov/
Office of Inspector General (OIG), U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs	www4.va.gov/oig/
Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC)	http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/serverpt
Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005 (PSQIA)	www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/psa/understanding/index.html
Professional Association of Health Care Office Management (PAHCOM)	www.pahcom.com/
Program for Evaluating Payment Patterns Electronic Report (PEPPER) Resources	www.pepperresources.org/
Project Management Institute (PMI)	www.pmi.org/Pages/default.aspx
Quackwatch	www.quackwatch.com/
Quality Interagency Coordination (QuIC) Task Force	www.quic.gov/
Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC)	www.cms.gov/RAC/01_Overview.asp
Reference Center and General Government	www.usa.gov/Topics/Reference_Shelf.shtml
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)	www.rwjf.org/
RxNorm	www.nlm.nih.gov/research/umls/rxnorm/index.html
SNOMED Clinical Terms	www.nlm.nih.gov/research/umls/Snomed/snomed_main.html
State and Territorial Public Health Officials	www.health.gov/hpcomments/Guide/state_PH.htm
Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)	www.samhsa.gov/
Switchboard	www.switchboard.com/
THOMAS (Library of Congress)	http://thomas.loc.gov/
Tiny URL	http://tiny.cc/
URAC, previously Utilization Review Accreditation Commission	www.urac.org/
Veterans Affairs, United States Department of	www.va.gov/
Virtual Hospital	www.uihealthcare.com/vh/
Visible Human Project	www.nlm.nih.gov/research/visible/visible_human.html
Washington Publishing Company (WPC)	www.wpc-edi.com/
Wheless' Textbook of Orthopaedics	www.whelessonline.com/

Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange (WEDI)	www.wedi.org/
World Health Organization (WHO)	www.who.int/en/
Yahoo! Hot Jobs	http://hotjobs.yahoo.com/

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