

The Association & College



About the Association

The Canadian Health Information Management Association (CHIMA) was founded in 1942 to provide a forum for Health Information Management (HIM®) professionals to share their expertise. Its federal charter was obtained in 1949.

The Canadian College of Health Information Management (CCHIM) was federally chartered in 1972 to deal with the educational standards and professional certification of the HIM® professional.

Members

CHIMA has approximately 5,000 members nationwide.

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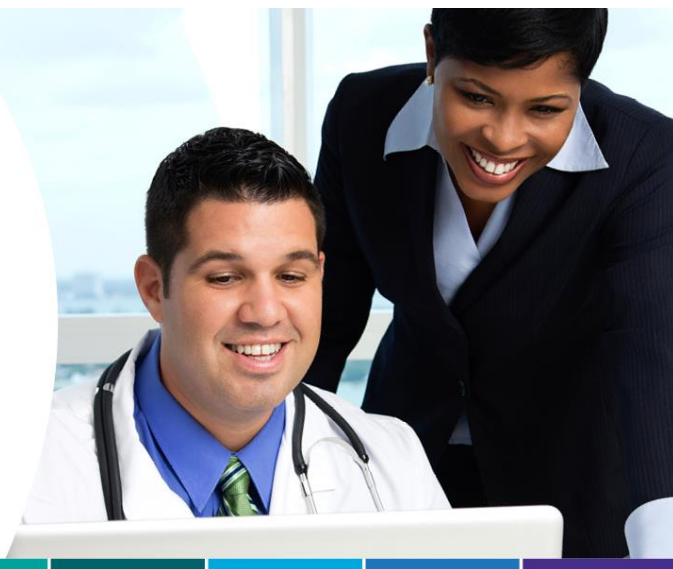
CHIMA works to promote the profession, expand the job market, influence the direction of professional practice, and monitor trends in the industry. Together with the Canadian College of Health Information Management (CCHIM), CHIMA sets standards whereby health information management education programs are evaluated for their suitability in preparing students to meet the national standards for becoming certified professionals.

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Certified Health Information Management (HIM®) Professionals

- Contribute to health care delivery as members of the health care team;
- Manage health information services in health facilities;
- Work with confidential health records: format, content, quality and use;
- Use technologies to capture, manage and analyze data;
- Prepare, analyze and present health information for use in health care delivery and financial and management planning;
- Interact with medical staff, health providers and management;
- May specialize in areas such as research, management, quality improvement, risk analysis, clinical trials and clinical financial resource integration; and
- Maintain skills, knowledge and expertise through mandatory Continuing Professional Education (CPE).

Where Will You Find Certified HIM® Professionals?

Certified Health Information Management professionals are in high demand across the continuum of care. Major changes to our health care system are creating exciting career opportunities in a variety of health care settings, as well as in the technology, insurance, legal and privacy fields, consulting companies, and within the provincial and federal governments.

Health Information Management professionals are one of the few professions trained to meet these new challenges.

Certified HIM® Professionals are positioned as (but not limited to):

- Decision Support Analysts
- Data Quality Managers
- Directors/Managers
- Directors, Quality Improvement Programs
- Chief Information Officers
- Utilization Managers
- Chief Privacy Officers
- Clinical Classification and Nomenclature Specialists
- And much more...

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National certification provides the graduate with recognition and portability of credentials across Canada.