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Central New York HFMA Chapter

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Renew Your Membership!!

It's that time of year again. Memberships expire on May 31st and we just wanted to remind you to renew! Think of all the great benefits you get from being a member:

Leadership Opportunities: Become a part of a committee or join the board and boost your leadership skills and your resume power!

Career Advancement: Whether it is becoming certified or finding another job on our website listing, you can move your career forward with the resources we offer you as a member.

“Free” Consulting: Having a problem with a payer? Can't get your billing software to post a CPT code? Membership offers you a number of opportunities to network. So instead of calling a consultant, you can call someone with a similar position and seek their advice.

Current Issue Information: There are a number of listservs and newsletters available to members only. Not to mention the monthly magazine HFM. These publications keep you up to date on what is happening around healthcare today.

FUN!! Your local chapter has an annual golf tournament, the summer baseball game for the whole family and not to mention the annual board meeting/networking event in the winter. It is a night out on the town and what can be more fun than that?

Be sure to renew your membership today!! Log onto www.hfma.org.

A Word from our Chapter President

Dear Fellow Members,

As we reach the end of another fiscal year with HFMA I am reflecting on all the changes and happenings over the past year and past seven years I have been an officer for this Chapter. As many know, this was my last year as your Chapter President. It has been a pleasure to serve as your President during these past two years.

My sincere “Thanks” goes out to all my fellow board members and numerous volunteers that have made my job so easy and delivered such timely, high quality education to you, the members.

As we, the board members, look for ways to enhance our services to the members, we are constantly reviewing our bench strength. Having committed volunteers is essential to the future success and relevance of our Chapter. We believe the 2007-2008 slate of officers and board members that is being put to the members for a vote, exemplifies the right people for the right job. Please show your support and vote in this upcoming election in May.

As always, I encourage ALL members to become more involved in this dynamic organization. With little time and your ideas, HFMA of Central New York will continue to be a vibrant organization serving its members to its best potential. If you have an idea or think there is something needed, call us, help us, join us.

Thank you for all your continued support of HFMA of Central New York

Matthew T. Huber
Chapter President
HFMA of Central New York

Thank you, Matt!

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HFMA National's On-line Membership Directory

Have you visited HFMA National's On-line Membership Directory lately? Here's the link: <http://www.hfma.org/login/index.cfm>. When you select "HFMA Directory", not only can you search for members of our chapter, you can also search for all of your HFMA colleagues by name, company, and location - regardless of chapter! Using an on-line directory instead of a printed directory ensures that you always have the most up-to-date contact information.

While accessing HFMA National's On-line Membership Directory, you may view your current contact information and make edits to your profile. You can also view any products you have ordered, events you have registered for, your CPE credits, your Founders points, and more!

It is vital that HFMA has your correct information, so please take a moment to review your record now. By doing so, you will ensure that HFMA continues to provide you with valuable information and insights that further your success.

Experience the Value. Value the Experience.

HFMA is committed to being an indispensable professional resource for healthcare financial managers.

You can see it in HFMA's subject matter. The association provides comprehensive resources to help you take advantage of opportunities for revenue growth and cost control, navigate regulatory compliance issues such as HIPAA, avoid labor shortages, maximize information technology opportunities, and position yourself and your organization to benefit from the changing economic environment.

You can also see it in the way HFMA provides information. In a given month, visitors to HFMA's web site (located at www.hfma.org) will view more than 340,000 pages of HFMA content. E-mail newsletters, such as *HFMA Wants You To Know* and *Express News*, reach out and inform HFMA members of current topics, regulatory changes, and what is coming over the next hill.

HFMA's education curriculum includes conferences and seminars, including the Annual National Institute. In addition, distance learning options include audio-teleconferences, e-learning, and webinars. HFMA will even bring education programs onsite to organizations, when needed.

As you experience the value HFMA provides, don't forget to value the experience. HFMA offers opportunities to network with those who face similar challenges and successes as you do. If you are looking to gain experience in a safe environment, or would like to share the experience that you have, opportunities to volunteer locally or nationally are plentiful.

The bottom line is that the Healthcare Financial Management Association is comprised of more than 32,000 individuals just like you. What do we know about these individuals? We are value driven. We are forward thinking. We are innovative. And **together**, we are defining, realizing, and advancing the profession of the financial management of health care.

To learn more about the benefits of your HFMA membership visit <http://www.hfma.org/membership/default.htm>

Education Wonderland

Don't miss this exciting seminar...

May 15th Healthcare Integration - How can Hospitals and Physicians align in order to meet the challenges associated with "value based" health insurance and evidence based care?

- Pay for Performance presented by David E Daniels, ESQ
- Gainsharing presented by David Miller
- Group Practices Without Walls presented by Alan G. Badey

See the webpage at www.cnyhfma.org and click on "Education" for more details. You can register online or contact Anita Anderson at anita.anderson@sjhsyr.org or Eric Fehrman at efehrman@fcc-cpa.com

Have an idea for a session? Contact Anita Anderson at anita.anderson@sjhsyr.org.

Welcome to the Chapter!

Forward this newsletter on to colleagues that you think would be interested in joining our local chapter. Their name can appear here once they join!