

Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education

December 20, 2023

Herbert Riedel
President
Northeast Iowa Community College
202 Chambers Street, Room S701
Peosta, IA 52068

Dear President Riedel:

The Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM) is pleased to inform you of its vote on **December 13, 2023** to award **Continuing Accreditation for Seven Years** to the Health Information Management Associate Degree Program at Northeast Iowa Community College in Calmar, Iowa.

The Comprehensive Program Review conducted by the CAHIIM Health Information Management Accreditation Council and the CAHIIM Board of Directors recognizes the program's substantial compliance with the *2018 AHIMA Curricular Competencies* and *2018 CAHIIM Accreditation Standards*. Please reference your 2018 AHIMA Curriculum and CAHIIM Standards Compliance letter.

A virtual follow up visit will be conducted April 20, 2027. A response to the following **Standards 2, 7, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 24, and 25** is due 30 days prior to your virtual visit. At your virtual visit, CAHIIM will evaluate your response to standards and provide consultation for transition to the *2026 CAHIIM Accreditation Standards*.

All accredited Health Information Management/Health Information Technology programs will provide a Plan for Transition to the 2026 CAHIIM Standards during the 2025 APAR opening. 2026 CAHIIM Standards must be implemented at the beginning of the Fall 2026 academic term. CAHIIM will evaluate programs for compliance with 2026 CAHIIM Standards beginning October 2026. Reaccreditation will occur during the 2034-2035 cycle.

Your program will be invoiced for the 2026-2027 Accreditation Cycle in January 2026. Please note these process changes reflect our commitment to relieve the administrative burden and assist programs as they transition to the 2026 CAHIIM Accreditation Curriculum and Standards. The Commission recognizes you and your colleagues for your commitment to continuous quality improvement in higher education, as demonstrated by your participation in programmatic accreditation.

Sincerely,

Cassi Birnbaum

Cassi Birnbaum, MS, RHIA, CPHQ, FAHIMA
Chair, CAHIIM Board of Directors

Encl: Accreditation Award Certificate
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