

HFMA COLORADO CHAPTER MONTHLY E-NEWS

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Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Educational Events

Points of Interest:

- * Rural Conference A Success
- * Uninsured Conference Coming Up in December
- * Compliance Conference Agenda Almost Finalized
- * Join LinkedIn Discussion Groups
- * Membership Survey Results

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GREAT FALL RURAL CONFERENCE A HUGE SUCCESS!

Over 90 people attended and participated at the 8th Annual Great Fall Rural Conference held in beautiful Glenwood Springs, September 23—25th. A summary of the conference highlights will be featured in the upcoming Chapter Newsletter.

Special thanks to the record number of exhibitors and sponsors. Without your support, this conference could not have been such a great success.

The Rural Program Committee

Join the CO HFMA LinkedIn Revenue Cycle, CFO, and Compliance Discussion Groups

As announced last month, the CO HFMA Chapter has a Group established on LinkedIn. Recently, a subgroup was established for Revenue Cycle Discussions. Several invitations were sent out to provider members to

UNINSURED CONFERENCE December 3rd

The award-winning Uninsured Conference will be held December 3rd at The Children's Hospital. This is sure to be the best conference yet with a line-up of featured speakers and panel discussions you won't want to miss.

This year there will be a \$25 registration fee to cover the cost of food. However, a \$25 voucher will be given towards the registration fee for the Annual Meeting.

The agenda and registration information can be found on the Chapter website October 9th.

encourage them to join. Additional subgroups for Compliance and CFO related discussions were also established this week. Please feel free to participate and share your questions, concerns and suggestions with your peers.

COMPLIANCE CONFERENCE February 4—5

The Park Meadows Marriott will be the site of the Annual Compliance Conference to be held February 4th and 5th. The Compliance Committee has just about finalized the agenda for this specialized conference.

Look for the agenda and registration information on the Chapter website over the next couple of weeks.

As a reminder, no conference brochures will be mailed. Information can be found on the Chapter website:

www.hfma-co.org

Chapter Membership Survey Yields Overwhelming Response

Nearly 25% of the Membership participated in a Chapter Survey last month via Survey Monkey. This was a phenomenal response to the request for feedback.

Some of the results are as follows:

*The Denver members want meetings held in Denver and the rural members would like to see more meetings in their “neck of the woods.” *We can accommodate those requests.*

*Many members hold dual membership in AAHAM, ACHE, MGMA and NAHAM. *The Education Committee is working towards involvement with those organizations for joint events.*

**It appears that many members have been affected by budget cuts for travel and education. *The Chapter will continue to*

make the educational events as affordable as possible. With the new Corporate Sponsorship Program, there will be Provider Registration Coupons offered by the Sponsors for those who need assistance with registration.

* The 3rd week of the month is the preferred choice for meetings, as well as the Wednesday, Thursday, Friday format for multiple day events. *This is the format we have focused on over the past few years and will continue.*

*The 50th Anniversary Celebration will not be a Black-Tie event. *The Planning Committee is working towards a Thursday evening casual event held in conjunction with the Annual Conference.*

*Webinars are a preferred education delivery method. *The Education Committee has a special sub-committee that is working*

diligently on a monthly webinar schedule. The schedule will be posted on the Chapter website. In the near future. Stay tuned.

*It appears we could do a better job of communication with members who would like to be involved on a Committee and/or would like to have their feedback/suggestions heard. *This information has been conveyed to the Committee Chairs.*

*Many suggestions were given for topics at upcoming conferences to include Leadership and Physician related subject matter. *These ideas have been shared with the Education Committees.*

*Regarding communication methods to the membership, we seem to be doing a good job via email, the newsletter and the website. *No conference brochures will be mailed. We will continue to com-*

municate via email, E-News, and the Chapter website.

Many thanks to all who participated in the survey. We will take your comments and suggestions seriously and strive to meet your needs.

Judy Griffith, Chapter President

50th Anniversary Celebration!

Your Help is Needed

We are beginning the planning process for the Chapter's 50th Anniversary. The committee would love to have your help in planning the entertainment, gathering of memorabilia, creating a photo slide show, etc. If interested, please contact either Judy Griffith or Christine Hogan-Newgren.

Wanted: Non-Renewals to Renew

We have over 70 “former” members of the Chapter who have not renewed their membership dues for this year. We are sure you are not going to miss out on all of the exciting educational and networking events that are planned for this year....the 50th Anniversary of the Chapter.

Please take a few minutes and renew your membership at the National HFMA website: www.hfma.org/membership.

Renewal rates are \$182 through October.

Member Get -A- Member Campaign

Recruit one or two new members who begin their membership between June 1, 2009, and April 30, 2010, or former* HFMA members who reactivate their membership between August 1, 2009, and April 30, 2010, and you will win your choice of an HFMA apparel item (approximate retail value of \$25) or a \$25 Fuel Visa® Prepaid Card.** Fuel cards can be used at the gas station of your choice or anywhere Visa debit cards are accepted worldwide.

Recruit three or four new and/or former* HFMA members and you will receive a \$100 Visa prepaid card good anywhere Visa debit cards are accepted worldwide. You will also be entered into a drawing among all those recruiting three or four to receive a \$1,000 cash prize.

Recruit five or more new and/or former* members and you will receive a \$150 Visa prepaid card. You will also be entered into a drawing among all those recruiting five or more to receive a \$2,500 cash prize.