

AHIMA Triumph Awards

Celebrating the Remarkable Contributions of HIM Professionals from Around the Globe

Since their inception in 1994, the AHIMA Triumph Awards have honored those professionals responsible for advancing the field of health information management (HIM). Each year, AHIMA members nominate those that have demonstrated extraordinary leadership, volunteerism and talent. As part of a long and cherished tradition, the Triumph Awards continue to be the highest recognition of excellence, dedication and service, and are presented annually at the AHIMA Convention & Exhibit.

NCHIMA is very proud to honor our state AHIMA Triumph Award winners!

2010

Pioneer Award

Kay Gooding, MPH, MAEd, RHIA



Kay Gooding, MPH, MAEd, RHIA, was named the 2010 Triumph Pioneer Award recipient by the American Health Information Management Association. The Pioneer Award honors individuals, groups or organizations focused on moving HIM into the future of the health care industry. Kay serves as the project director for the Region D Consortium of Community Colleges for Health Information Technology training and oversees a 13-state health information management (HIM) training consortium for Pitt Community College.

Those who nominated Kay for the Pioneer Award called her a “visionary leader” who has utilized the latest educational technologies to train health information technology (HIT) students. As Pitt’s HIT program director, Gooding’s program was one of the first in North Carolina to be offered entirely online.

Last year, Kay was instrumental in helping PCC secure a \$10.9 million grant from the U.S. Department of

Health and Human Services to help prepare thousands of new HIT professionals needed to create electronic health records. The transition is expected to improve the quality and efficiency of medical care by making information exchanges possible between health care providers and public health authorities.

Kay is a well-respected HIM professional and has served in numerous NCHIMA leadership roles including president, president-elect and has served on many committees. She has also received many awards to include the NCHIMA Distinguished Member Award, the Teaching in Excellence Award from PCC and the Outstanding Employee Award from Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina. Kay has also chaired and served on numerous committees for AHIMA.

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