

PRESIDENT-ELECT ANNUAL REPORT 2009/10

The focus for this year was to execute the operational duties of the president-elect and become familiar with all of the policies, constitution and bylaws for HRABC. Decisions made by the HRABC Executive this past year were supported by research conducted amongst all of the other provincial associations to ensure consistency in practices and policies.

Policy, Constitution & Bylaws/Archives

1. All policies, constitution and bylaws were reformatted and the numbering structure was made consistent amongst all documents; wording revised as appropriate to reflect the most current activities / duties / processes for each Office and /or Committee.
2. Annual call for change to the Constitution & Bylaws issued to the membership in May, 2010 - no changes were requested by the membership; one change proposed by the executive to match category descriptions now used by CHIMA.

Article 21: Definitions and Abbreviations (action proposed - update membership category descriptions for CHIMA i.e. "Certificant" is now "Active" and "Associate" is now "Affiliate").

- [~~Delete Certificant~~ add Active] **Active** CHIMA means Active member of the Canadian Health Information Management.....
- [~~Delete Associate~~ add Affiliate] **Affiliate** CHIMA means Associate member of the Canadian Health Information Management.....

Other

- The possibility of a 2-year undergraduate degree program for HIMS professionals was discussed with the University of Victoria; the outcome of which is that the University's available resources are too limited at this time.
- The HRABC Executive has become aware that income tax claims for both HRABC and CHIMA annual membership dues may be rejected by Canada Revenue Agency. While desirable or even mandatory by the employer, membership for either association is not required by law. If you have any questions or concerns, we recommend consulting your Accountant, Income Tax association and/or Revenue Canada. (Further information provided in the PrintOut May 2010.)

Respectfully submitted,

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