

# Indiana Abstract

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## President Message Joann Schultz, RHIT, CTR

Hello, Everyone,

I hope everyone had a great summer. Within a few weeks we will join together for our annual Fall Conference and celebrate ICRA's 35th Anniversary. There have been so many changes in Cancer Registries in the last 35 years.

The Board has been very busy this year. Jan Duncan, RHIT, CTR has arranged a fabulous Fall Conference Program with 12 CE's available. During lunch Thursday we will celebrate our 35th Anniversary. Jan Duncan is holding 2 hats this year. Please consider chairing a committee if Jan calls. You will become better acquainted with some wonderful Cancer Registrars. Sherry Dowling, CTR will mail the ballots soon. Please remember to vote. This is your organization.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your President a second term. The Board this year has been great to work with. Please consider getting involved in ICRA either by running for an office, chairing a committee or serving on a committee. I have made so many wonderful friends serving on the ICRA Board thru the years; I wish everyone could have the same experience.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Fall Conference.

## President Elect/Auditing Committee/Program Committee Chair, Jan Duncan, RHIT, CTR

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### **Auditing Committee Updates:**

Martha Hill, our Treasurer, has been working diligently on our records, and audit of the treasury will occur soon.

Contract for the 2014 conference, to be held November 6 and 7, has been signed with Marten House / Lilly Conference Center. Please let me know if there are any “hot topics” you would like us to address.

Thanks and hope to see you at the Fall Conference!

### **Program Committee Updates:**

Please mark your calendars now to join us November 7 and 8, 2013, at Caribbean Cove.

April Fritz, RHIT, CTR, will be speaking most of the day on November 7, covering head and neck cancer as well as pancreas/biliary cancer. We will also have another “Ask April” session, so please forward any burning questions you have as soon as possible. We are fortunate to have four physician speakers this year: Dr. Krowiak (Center for Ear, Nose, Throat, and Allergy) for a presentation on head and neck cancer; Dr. Gupta (Franciscan Saint Francis Hospital) speaking on liver embolization, Dr. Goulet (Community Breast Care) addressing breast cancer surgery; and Dr. Freeman (St. Vincent Hospital) discussing lung cancer surgery. Cindy Paquin, Manager of Health Initiatives for the Great Lakes Division of the American Cancer Society, will be filling us in on resources available from ACS, and Jan Stengel will be presenting our local “coding challenges”. We will also have a round-table discussion on Commission on Cancer surveys by recently surveyed members and updates from Laura Ruppert, MHA, Indiana State Cancer Registry and Nancy Whipple, CTR, NCRA Liaison. Although we received several requests for a session on follow-up tips, we were not able to work it into this year’s agenda. We will be developing a tip sheet to include in the meeting packet.

Hope to see you all in November!

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## Past President/Nomination Committee Chair, Sherry Dowling, CTR

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### **2013 Nomination Committee:**

Stacy Bayne, CTR  
Sherry Dowling, CTR  
Danilee Thompson, CTR

The ballot for the ICRA 2013-2014 election of officers is almost complete; I am just waiting on that last nominee to confirm her willingness to serve. To those that have graciously agreed to run for office, I say "Thank You". To the rest of you, please contact Joann Schultz if you would like to help on a committee.

The ballots should be arriving soon, please complete your ballot, place it in the small plain envelope, seal it and then place it in the return envelope. Remember to SIGN the back of the return envelope, as your signature is required to validate your membership. The envelopes will be separated before the votes are tallied, (see nominations policy & procedures on the ICRA website).

As the end of my three-year term draws near, I would like to say that I am proud of the progress that the Cancer Registry profession and ICRA has made over the years and I am honored to have served such a wonderful group of professionals. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

## Historian Claudia Jenkins, CTR

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As the annual ICRA Conference approaches, I wanted to let the membership know about some of the activities that that will be available at the meeting.

Per usual we will have a Historian booth. Please stop by and consider joining in on the fun and play our little game with us. We will have a nice prize for one lucky participant.

With this being the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our organization we will have some photographs of some of the Conferences from years past. You might see some familiar faces. ☺

We look forward to seeing you at the Conference.

## NCRA/ CoC Updates, Nancy Whipple, CTR

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### **NCRA Updates:**

- 1) **NCRA: CTR Update**-CE Hour Submission Reminder-your Continuing Education (CE) Cycle ends 12/31/13, so your CE hours are due to submitted. If you passed the CTR Exam in an odd numbered year (1991, 1993, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2009, & 2011) then your CE Cycle date stops at year's end. CE hours must be obtained within your CE cycle dates (e.g. January 2, 2012-December 31, 2013).

#### **\*\*Note to New CTRs\*\***

If you passed the CTR Exam in March or September 2011, your first CE Cycle is longer than 2 years. You may claim CE hours from activities starting from the date you passed the exam through 12/31/13.

### **CoC Updates:**

- 1) As of July 1, Standard 5.2 will be changed from abstracting timeliness to a new standard focused on Rapid Quality Reporting System (RQRS) participation. The RQRS standard will become effective on January 1, 2014, will be valid for commendation only, and will be part of the Outstanding Achievement Award criteria beginning in 2014.
- 2) Important CP<sup>3</sup>R Update Information  
The updated CP<sup>3</sup>R Report will be released in a few weeks. It will include several modifications as described below.
  1. Survey review of the CP<sup>3</sup>R for Standards 4.4 and 4.5 is directed toward cases diagnosed in 2010 and subsequently. In 2014, cases diagnosed in 2010 and 2011 will be surveyed. Therefore, the CP<sup>3</sup>R update will involve the diagnosis years 2010 and 2011 that were submitted during 2012 and 2013 Calls for Data. There are two major implication of this:
    - a. The earlier, pre-2010 diagnosis years will no longer be available in the CP<sup>3</sup>R, so if the program needs to retain any screens for historic information, those screens should be copied by July 31.
    - b. Manual edits made in the CP<sup>3</sup>R not reflected in data submitted to NCDB in 2013 will be lost.
  2. The updated CP<sup>3</sup>R data will be deduplicated the same way as all other NCDB reports are to make sure no duplicate appear in the tables. For examples, if the

case was submitted originally with sequence 00 and later with sequence 01, the case with sequence 01 will replace the case with sequence 00.

3. The updates CP<sup>3</sup>R report will keep the existing breast, colon and rectum measures, and add three new breast measures:
    - a. Breast conservation surgery rate for women with AJCC clinical stage 0, 1 or II breast cancer.
    - b. Radiation therapy is considered or administered following any mastectomy within 1 year (365 days) of diagnosis of breast cancer for women with  $\geq 4$  positive regional lymph nodes.
    - c. Image or palpation guided needle biopsy (core or FNA) is performed for the treatment of breast cancer.
  4. The computation of passage of time was modified to include cases where the exact day is missing if the month unambiguously falls within the required time interval. Some programs will see additional eligible cases as a result.
  5. New detailed, easy to follow descriptions of all measures will be posted when the CP<sup>3</sup>R is updated.
- 3) New American College of Surgeons Cancer Programs Online Education Portal is Now Open: This new initiative brings together the online educational offerings from the Cancer Programs of the American College of Surgeons, including the Commission of Cancer (COC), National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC), and the American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC). Be sure to view the instructional videos to learn how to set up a user ID and password and view the webinars. Through this new portal, COC webinars are now FREE to cancer program staff in COC accredited cancer programs and accessible by using your COC Datalinks User ID and Password.

## Indiana State Department of Health Cancer Registry Liaison, Kimberly Turpin, RHIT, CTR

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The Indiana State Cancer Registry has purchased the 2013-2014 NAACCR webinars. An email has been sent out to Indiana Registrars. These are FREE of cost!! If you are interested in any of the webinars contact Marsha Lundy at State: (317)233-7158.

Also, the State is currently working on Death Clearance for submission in November 2013.

## Treasurer, Martha Hill, CTR

Beginning Balance Q2					\$	15,151.87
	April	May	June	Total		
Income:						
Membership	\$ 450.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 220.00	\$ 745.00		
Interest Certificate of Deposit			\$ 151.34	\$ 151.34		
Total Income by Month	\$ 450.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 371.34			
Total Income for Quarter:					\$	896.34
					\$	16,048.21
Expenses:						
Mileage Board Meeting	\$ 188.10			\$ 188.10		
NCRA Basket	\$ 9.24			\$ 9.24		
Website Maintenance	\$ 150.00			\$ 150.00		
Postage	\$ 45.00		\$ 8.05	\$ 53.05		
Lunch - ICRA Board Meeting	\$ 22.97			\$ 22.97		
Supplies - Fall Conference	\$ 10.50			\$ 10.50		
ISDH/ICRA Spring Workshop - refreshments			\$ 24.31	\$ 24.31		
CAN Surety - Bond			\$ 278.00	\$ 278.00		
Removal of Interest from Savings	\$ 2.49			\$ 2.49		
Total Expense by Month:	\$ 428.30		\$ 310.36			
Total Expense for Quarter:					\$	738.66
Balance of Checking Account 06/30/2013					\$	15,309.55
Certificate of Deposit					\$	10,000.00
Savings Account					\$	10,082.17
Total					\$	35,391.72
Prepared for ICRA Board 6-Sep-13						

## Education Committee Chair, Janet Stengel, RHIA, CTR

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The last coding workshop for 2013 was held August 5 at the Indiana State Department of Health. The Hematopoietic Database (DB) along with exercises using it was highlighted. In addition, exercises were done to highlight breast, ovary and endometrium cases. A number of small case scenarios were completed with the coding of specific fields being reinforced. Two questions from the May workshop were answered. One was a question of whether Partial Breast Irradiation would be coded as interstitial or intracavitary brachytherapy. It would be coded to interstitial, as the cavity made for the balloon is not a natural cavity like the corpus. The second one was in regard to “evolving/smoldering” myeloma. Prior to the Hematopoietic Database hospitals may not have been abstracting those cases since there was not a specific ICD-0-3 code for either. Per SEER, these were always reportable even though it was not made clear until the Hematopoietic DB. Registries are not to go back hunting for missed cases pre-2010. However, should one find a multiple myeloma case with a history of “smoldering/evolving” myeloma, one would treat this as you would any case with an earlier diagnosis. The diagnosis date would be the date of the “smoldering/evolving” myeloma and the case would be either a non-analytic or perhaps a late case depending on the scenario. If the original diagnosis was elsewhere, it would be non-analytic or if the “smoldering/evolving” was at your facility it might be a late case.

NCRA updates that were reviewed were:

- Collaborative Grade Project: Representatives from CoC, SEER and NPCR are working to improve and clarify the coding of grade when there is also a CS SSF field for grade.
- Hematopoietic DB and Manual was updated 02/25/13. The future updates will include only “Text” format. It will also include non-reportable diseases. 2014 changes to the DB will include a manual combining the 2010 and 2012 manual with the differences documented.
- The Multiple Primary/Histology coding rules will be incorporated into a DB. It will not include a multiple primary calculator. Planned release is January 1, 2015. The manual will be in text format only.
- Collaborative Stage (CS v02.05) will be out for January 1, 2014 diagnosis. There will be a reduction in the SSF's. The fields that will no longer be included are not required by the Standard Setters and are not required for stage. If your facility wishes to collect some of the discontinued fields, you are asked to contact your vendor to accommodate this. The complete list of discontinued items can be found on the CS Website.



AJCC and Collaborative Stage are in the process of developing short You-tube videos to answer a specific coding question in 5 minutes. This can be accessed via the CS Website as well as You Tube. The content will include rules, schemas, resources and SSF's.

SEER Rx just released an updated version. Please refer to the SEER Website to access the DB. There is also a list of changes that were released with this update. Please refer to the new changes in coding. It is always important to look up systemic treatments to be sure that the coding category has not changed.

Collaborative Stage v 02.05 is due out for cases diagnosed January 1, 2014 and forward. Please be aware of the version of CS that you are to be using based on the software conversion that has most recently been installed at your facility.

The next CTR exam is scheduled for September 7-21, 2013. The application deadline was July 31. Next year Indiana should plan to host a CTR prep workshop.

The Indiana State Cancer Registry purchased the 2012-2013 as well as the 2013-2014 NACCR Webinar series. I highly encourage all of you to participate, as you are able. Each Webinar covers the anatomy of the site being presented, Fords treatment codes as well as Collaborative Stage. They air 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM and offer 3 CE's for each Webinar. The following are the topics for the last in the 2012-2013 series as well as the 2013-2014 NAACCR Webinar series.

<b>The 2013 – 2014 Webinar Series has been tentatively set. The schedule is:</b>
10/03/13 - Collecting Cancer Data: Lip and Oral Cavity
11/07/13 - Collecting Cancer Data: Prostate
12/05/13 - Collecting Cancer Data: Ovary
01/09/14 - Collecting Cancer Data: Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumors (GIST)
02/06/14 - Collecting Cancer Data: Treatment Data
03/06/14 - Abstracting and Coding Boot Camp: Cancer Case Scenarios
04/03/14 - Collecting Cancer Data: Melanoma
05/01/14 - Collecting Cancer Data: Colon and Rectum
06/05/14 - Collecting Cancer Data: Liver
07/10/14 - Topics in Survival Data
08/07/14 - Collecting Cancer Data: Lung
09/11/14 - Coding Pitfalls

Members who maintain RHIT or RHIA credentials must obtain 6 CE's in ICD-10-CM by December 2014. Please keep that in mind when accruing CE's.



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## Bylaws Committee/ Membership Committee Chair, Judi Reininga, CTR

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### **Bylaws Update:**

There will be no bylaw changes/additions/deletions to the ICRA Bylaws at the annual business meeting in November. I would encourage all members to review the bylaws of the association. This will give you insight into how the association is run and should answer any questions you might have regarding ICRA. Thank you to committee members Jean Edwards, RHIT, CTR and Sheila Snyder, CTR. If you find anything that you have questions about you may contact me at [judi.reininga@twc.com](mailto:judi.reininga@twc.com) or 812-867-6029.

### **2013-2014 Membership Drive Update:**

To those of you that have paid your dues this year, Thank You. Membership closed on September 8, 2013 with a total membership for 2013 of 81. Any applications postmarked after this date will be held until after the Fall Conference and applied to the 2014-15 membership year. I always hope for at least 100 members but this year we didn't even come close. Dues are the income which is used to run the association. In order to continue to provide benefits to Registrars throughout the state, we need everyone to join ICRA. If you have questions about your membership, contact me at

812-867-6029 or [judi.reininga@twc.com](mailto:judi.reininga@twc.com). I'm hoping to see all of you at the upcoming Fall Conference.

## Ways & Means Committee, Joann Schultz, RHIT, CTR

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Back by popular demand the SILENT AUCTION during the Fall Conference. If you would like to donate an item or items for the Silent Auction please let me know in order to have plenty of space. Paul Rice RHIT, CTR is working on Dining to Donate both Wednesday & Thursday evenings. Watch for a blast e-mail with more details pending approval by the restaurants. A special thank you to my long standing & wonderful committee members Judi Reininga, CTR & Paul Rice, RHIT, CTR. They are not only great friends, but fabulous to work with.

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## Public Relations/ IHIMA Liaison, Brandy Lewis, CTR

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### **Public Relations Update:**

Reminder: Please contact Public Relations if you know of any member who has lost a loved one from their immediate family. ICRA would like to assure them of our genuine concern and support.

We would like to emphasize that the Public Relations Committee always welcomes ideas for the newsletter and encourage articles from you, the membership. You don't need to be on the Board to submit an article. Let's hear from you!

### **IHIMA Update:**

CIHIMA has been established to develop and improve the HIM community within Central Indiana. CIHIMA will also provide a means for information exchange by conducting programs and workshops of HIM personnel and other health practitioners.

CIHIMA is devoted to advancing the membership knowledge of current health information issues through cost-effective workshops. In addition CIHIMA will provide members with the resources to enhance their skills in health information and to promote the membership in CIHIMA, IHIMA, and AHIMA.

CIHIMA is open to any person meeting the IHIMA membership requirements and/or other interested persons involved in the health information management field and are located within the Central Indiana area. For more information, visit [www.ihima.org](http://www.ihima.org).

## Secretary/Website Committee Chair, Cassie Nobbe, CTR

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### **Website Update:**

The website address for ICRA is [www.icra-indiana.net](http://www.icra-indiana.net). The website is routinely updated and a unique ID and a password are set annually for the membership only section. The Calendar of Events tab has recently been updated to include dates for: NAACCR's 2013-2014 Webinar Series, NCRA's 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Educational Conference, Survey Savvy, and NCRA's Professional Development webinar series. The Registrar Resources tab includes links to a variety of internet resources useful for a cancer registrar. Please contact the webmaster at [icra\\_indiana@yahoo.com](mailto:icra_indiana@yahoo.com) for any questions or concerns regarding the website.





### **NCRA 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Educational Conference**

#### **Betty R. Jeffers, RHIT, CTR (Scholarship Winner)**

First of all, I would like to thank ICRA for all their educational efforts. Through the generosity of the membership and the hard work of the Ways and Means Committee, I was one of the lucky recipients of an ICRA scholarship to attend NCRA National meeting. I would also like to thank my manager, Sue Jarvis, and my facility Union Hospital for supporting my education and allowing me to attend this conference.

As you know, the National Conference was May 31<sup>st</sup> thru June 2<sup>nd</sup> this year. It was in San Francisco, California. The theme was “Golden Opportunities for Education and Professional Growth by the Bay.” The theme fit well with what I was able to learn at the conference! I had recently stepped into a new role in my registry. The educational meetings and the interaction with registrars from all over was something that I would not have been able to get from my desk on those days! I was able to hear presentations from some of our ICRA “family” like Valerie Vesich and April Fritz. I was even able to attend a presentation and have a conversation with the physician that was scheduled to survey my cancer program within the month!

There was literally a cheer in the room when Asa Carter announced that Standard 5.2 Abstracting Timeliness would be changed on July 1, 2013 and the 6 month abstracting rule would be no more. I heard that the cheer was even heard in the other sessions in the next rooms!

I was able to hear a lot of speakers on topics that I wanted to learn about like RQRS, how a facility did an awesome Community Needs Assessment, information on an ACOS survey, information on QOPI (Quality Oncology Practice Initiative) and much more.

Oh yes, and then there was San Francisco! Much fun was had after the long conference days! I saw many sites, from Alcatraz to the Mrs. Doubtfire house! We even went to the theater one night to see a play. “Arcadia”. It was amazing! Oh yes, the other party of the “we” on my sightseeing was my husband, Greg. He had many stories for me of his

adventures while I was in meetings! He took public transportation (which was scary at some points) across the city to the ocean and played golf by the seaside. He met many interesting people during the day!

It would be impossible to tell you all what happened during the conference. It was AWESOME (professionally and personally)!

I would like to wrap up by singing “I left my heart in San Francisco...” but number 1-you would not want to hear me sing and number 2 – my heart is here in Indiana with my family, friends and ICRA family!

Again, I want to thank ICRA and Union Hospital for the opportunity to attend the 2013 NCRA National Conference. **BE SURE** to put your name in for the ICRA SCHOLARSHIP next year! It might be **YOU** writing about the 2014 NCRA National Conference in Nashville, Tennessee!

**NCRA - SAN FRANCISCO - 2013 by Angela Lee, CTR (Scholarship Winner)**

SAN FRAN WAS A BLAST!!! Thanks to ICRA, I think this was my all time best conference trip. The Hilton hotel staff was the most accommodating I have ever encountered, even housekeeping! I was impressed with the earlier than usual check-in and later than usual check-out. The food was carefully thought out, tastefully prepared and served so beautifully. You didn't have to go outside for any conference activity. Yet, the weather was *beautiful* whenever you stepped outside. Before the conference began I noticed San Fran is alive with creativity. Who designed the artful street benches, bus stops, bike racks? Who did that? The courtyards in the square were filled with art for sale, sculptures, beautiful photo ops and outdoor restaurants. I heard a rumor before arriving, that there's a Starbucks on EVERY corner and well...I didn't go all over the town, but I think it may be true. Of course I did the trolley thing and Fisherman's Wharf! I floated under the Golden Gate Bridge for a minute and cruised around Alcatraz to the Bay Bridge. Then I ate where Hollywood stars once ate, overlooking the bay as I swallowed the best shrimp alfredo ever. I even saw the Asian Lion Dance performance on the square. And did anyone check out Walgreens Flagship store? A Walgreens like you couldn't imagine. I had to take the escalator upstairs to find the pharmacy and a fully staffed beauty/makeup counter! And I've got the video to prove it! The first floor boasted a truly fresh fruit market and fresh bakery; an ice cream sundae & slush station; a fresh lunch counter with an aisle that contained the full line of Ghirardelli chocolates. Ahhhh.

**New contacts:**

I befriended a very nice CTR from Taiwan. My how they see things different! We sat together for two days and though sometimes it was hard to understand her words, it was evident that she was very interested in EVERY session; even if she could not directly apply it to her job...she said it was still good to know. We Americans don't think like that. We'd rather stop working to go play. I spent my last day with a CTR from Georgia, laid back, but still on the ball.

**Biggest observation:**

Of the seven NCRA conferences I've attended, I must point out that I have never ever seen so many male registrars in attendance before. Ladies, I don't know how much longer we will dominate this field, but the men are quickly catching up.



### NCRA Conference BIG Announcements:

You have probably all heard by now the shock of the conference: that the 6 month timeliness standard is no longer a standard as of 7/1/2013. Who would have thought that ever possible? But the College still expects all cases to be submitted to NCDB on time. The trade off of standard 5.2 is the new commendation opportunity for participating in RQRS. Yes, RQRS is currently still an option, but to receive the OAA in 2014 you must register into RQRS by 1/1/14. So it seems the push is on for RQRS. And don't be surprised ICRA when RQRS transforms from a commendation to a standard. I'm just saying. For now, COC surveyors will place emphasis on the CAP compliant path reports, instead of the abstracting timeliness. Keep your eyes open for more standard changes in the next months for 2014. It was also announced that the Collaborative Stage revision is underway for 2014 and finally the obsolete codes will be removed. Yea! But we won't have to do CS much longer. That's going away too in the near future. Don't you just love the College?

### Otherwise:

Salary survey findings revealed many highly experienced CTRs are terribly underpaid, (and possibly overworked) even for their region...this is so sad...how can we be true professionals?

Government's impact on our field --- the quality measures we track WILL make a difference to your hospital's reimbursement. Registries of America will become vital to hospitals and then hopefully registrars will receive the respect and salary we deserve.

Thanks again ICRA for this wonderful and educational opportunity!

## ACS Liaison, Kolleen Spencer, CTR

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### Share Healthy Habits at Your Next Family Reunion

Article date: July 1, 2013

By Stacy Simon

Family reunions are a chance to reconnect with family members and meet new ones. They're a time to reminisce about the old days and create new traditions. If you're planning or attending a family reunion this summer, make healthy living a part of the activities for young and old alike.

#### Choose a healthier menu

This year, adapt some family recipes to incorporate ingredients that are lower in fat, salt, and calories. You'll be teaching a new generation to love a healthier version of your family's treasured favorites. At the same time, you'll be helping the older folks who may have high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity, or other conditions that require special attention to eating healthy.

#### Follow food safety tips

Food spoils quicker in warmer temperatures. Make sure you follow [safety tips like these from the US Department of Agriculture](#):

- Wash hands, utensils, containers, and work surfaces before handling food to prevent harmful bacteria from spreading.
- Cook food the same day you plan to serve it, not in advance, to give bacteria less time to grow. Cool food quickly by spreading it out in shallow containers and refrigerating.
- Keep mayonnaise-based foods cold.
- Wash melons and tomatoes before cutting, in case bacteria are present on the rind or peel. Refrigerate the cut pieces immediately.
- Throw out leftovers that have been sitting out for more than 1 hour. Store the rest in a cooler with ice. If all the ice has melted, throw away the food.

**Caribbean Cove Hotel and Conference Center**

3850 DePauw Blvd  
Indianapolis, IN 46268

Rates for those wishing to stay overnight  
have been guaranteed at the hotel below.

**Reservation deadline for below quoted rates is  
5:00 pm (EST) on October 16, 2013.**

Check the ICRA website for more information.  
<http://www.icra-indiana.net>

**Caribbean Cove Hotel**

3850 DePauw Blvd  
Indianapolis, In 46268  
(317) 872-9790

Ask for "Reservations" and specify that you are with the  
Indiana Cancer Registrars Association  
\$85.00 + 17% tax for a single king bed or  
\$89.00 + 17% tax for two double beds  
Rates do not include access to the indoor water park

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**Estimated Continuing Education Hours:**

11/7/13 Credit Hours 6.0 Estimated

11/8/13 Credit Hours 6.0 Estimated

Total Credit Hours: 12.0 Estimated

National Cancer Registrars Association  
continuing education endorsement pending.

**Thursday, November 7, 2013**

**7:30-8:00 am**      **Registration/Light Breakfast**

**8:00-8:15 am**      **Welcome and Overview**  
Joann Schultz, RHIT, CTR  
Jan Duncan, RHIT, CTR

**8:15-9:15 am**      **“Resources Available”**  
Cindy Paquin  
Manager, Health Initiatives  
American Cancer Society, Great Lakes Division

**9:15-10:15 am**      **“Head and Neck Cancer”**  
April Fritz, RHIT, CTR  
April Fritz and Associates, LLC

**10:15-10:45 am**      **Break / Vendor Time**

**10:45-11:45 am**      **“Ask April”**  
(answers to questions submitted in advance)  
April Fritz, RHIT, CTR  
April Fritz and Associates, LLC

**11:45 am – 2:00 pm**      **Networking Luncheon/ICRA  
Business Meeting/Awards Ceremony**

**2:00-3:00 pm**      **“Pancreas/Biliary System” Part 1**  
April Fritz, RHIT, CTR  
April Fritz and Associates, LLC

**3:00-3:30 pm**      **Break/Vendor Time**

**3:30-4:30 pm**      **“Pancreas/Biliary System” Part 2**  
April Fritz, RHIT, CTR  
April Fritz and Associates, LLC

**4:30-5:30 pm**      **“Updates: ISCR, NCRA, and COC”**  
Laura Ruppert, MHA  
Nancy Whipple, CTR

**Friday, November 8, 2013**

**7:15-7:55 am**      **Registration/Light Breakfast**  
**7:55-8:00 am**      **Welcome and Overview**

**8:00-9:00 am**      **“Head and Neck Cancer Treatment”**  
Edward Krowiak, MD  
Center for Ear, Nose, Throat, and Allergy  
Carmel, IN

**9:00-10:00 am**      **“Liver Embolization”**  
Rajat Gupta, MD  
Franciscan Saint Francis Hospital  
Indianapolis, IN

**10:00-10:30 am**      **Break/Vendor Time**

**10:30-11:30 am**      **“Breast Cancer Surgery”**  
Robert Goulet, MD, FACS  
Community Breast Care  
Indianapolis, IN

**11:30 am -12:30 pm**      **Lunch/Installation 2014 Board**

**12:30-1:00 pm**      **“COC Survey Roundtable”**  
Panel of recently surveyed members

**1:00-2:30 pm**      **“Coding Challenges”**  
Janet Stengel, RHIA, CTR  
NPCR Education & Training Coordinator  
Franciscan Saint Francis Hospital Indianapolis

**2:30-3:30 pm**      **“Lung Cancer Surgery”**  
Richard Freeman, MD, FACS  
Saint Vincent Hospital  
Indianapolis, IN

**3:30-3:45 pm**      **Closing Remarks/Adjournment**

**Conference Attire: Business Casual****Registration Form (Detach & return w/payment)**

- ICRA MEMBER (Both days)      \$140.00
- ICRA MEMBER Thursday only      \$90.00
- ICRA MEMBER Friday only      \$90.00
- ICRA NON-MEMBER (Both days)      \$180.00
- ICRA NON-MEMBER Thursday only      \$100.00
- ICRA NON-MEMBER Friday only      \$100.00

**Make check payable to ICRA & mail completed  
registration form by October 11, 2013 to:**

**Jan Duncan, RHIT, CTR, ICRA Program Chair**  
**655 North Liberty Court**  
**Hobart, IN 46342**

**Must be postmarked by October 11, 2013!**

A \$20 late fee will be assessed for registrations postmarked after October 11, 2013. Walk-ins are not guaranteed lunch or conference packets. Lunches will include breaded chicken and pork. Please let the program chair know if you have special dietary needs.

Request for refunds must be in writing with reason for request, addressed to ICRA treasurer (Martha Hill). All requests will be taken under advisement at the first scheduled Board of Directors meeting held after the ICRA Fall Conference (January).

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**(For Registration Confirmation)**

**Phone: ( )** \_\_\_\_\_