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Northwest Iowa Community College Instructor Completes the American Health Information Management Association's ICD-10-CM/PCS Academy

MariBeth Lane, Northwest Iowa Community College's Health Information Technology Instructor, successfully completed the American Health Information Management Association's (AHIMA) ICD-10-CM/PCS Academy.

The Academy consisted of two online courses, a three-day intensive training session, and an online assessment. Lane is now recognized by the AHIMA as a certified ICD-10-CM/PCS Trainer. ICD-10-CM/PCS is the diagnosis and procedure coding classification system which will be implemented in all healthcare facilities in the United States effective October 1, 2013.

Lane commented, "It is essential the educators begin teaching current HIT students about the new classification system. This knowledge has already been used in the classroom during Coding II and a review of the curriculum in the current Coding I, II, and III courses will continue as the change to ICD-10-CM/PCS implementation draws near."