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**MHA/AHRQ Kick-Off Event:  
Adding Clinical Lab Data to Minnesota's  
Statewide Administrative Database**

Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2008  
9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

MHA was awarded a two-year contract from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality to add clinical lab data to the administrative billing database that is already collected. The main benefit for hospitals participating in the project will be enhanced comparative reporting for quality and patient safety performance analyses and also additional tools in identifying the accuracy of medical coding for conditions present on admission. In order to participate, MHA will need a “data dump” from hospitals’ clinical lab systems. Project participants should attend this program to learn about the requirements and expectations. For a detailed description of the project, click [here](#).

**Purpose:**

To provide facilities with background and detailed information needed for participation in the AHRQ Clinical Lab Data Project. The initial meetings of three advisory groups will also take place during the afternoon session. The three groups are: Hospital Information Technology, Medical Record Coding, and Quality Monitoring and Improvement.

**Objectives:**

- 1) Provide an overview of the project
- 2) Provide details about requirements and expectations for the project
- 3) Convene initial meetings of advisory groups

**Target Audience:**

Hospital IT staff, particularly those involved with clinical lab systems; medical record experts, quality and patient safety professionals.

**Cost:** An early-bird registration fee of \$39 will be available to those registrations received in our offices by Dec. 21. Registrations received after Dec. 21 will be charged \$59 per person. The onsite registration fee will be \$79 per person. Registration fees include admittance, course materials and lunch. Registration fees are refundable less a \$25 cancellation fee if notice is received five working days prior to the program date.

**Tentative Agenda:**

- 8:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
- 8:45 a.m. Project Objectives, Requirements, and Potential Benefits to Participants
- 9 a.m. Selection of Clinical Data Elements, Present-on-Admission Coding, Collection and Transmission of Data, Assessing and Improving Data Quality, Data Analysis and Reporting (including a break)
- Noon Lunch (provided)
- 1 p.m. Questions, Comments, and Recommendations
- 2 p.m. Adjournment of General Session
- 2:15 p.m. Breakout for Advisory Groups – 1) Hospital IT; 2) coding; 3) Quality Monitoring & Improvement
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

**Faculty:** Joe Schindler and Mark Sonneborn from MHA, Dr. Michael Pine from Michael Pine & Associates, and Dr. Richard Johannes and Linda Hyde from Cardinal Health.

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**Location:** Radisson Hotel and Conference Center  
3131 Campus Drive  
Plymouth, MN 55441  
Phone: (763) 559-6600; Fax: (763) 559-7516

Room rate: \$113. Please indicate that you are with MHA when making overnight accommodations.  
The cut-off date is Dec. 24.

**Continuing Education:**

This activity has been designed to meet the Minnesota Board of Nursing continuing education requirements. A total of 6 contact hours will be awarded to those attending this educational activity. However, the nurse is responsible for determining whether this activity meets the requirements for acceptable continuing education.

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**Jan. 15, 2008**  
**Radisson Hotel and Conference Center, Plymouth**

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*Please note any questions you would like the speakers to address:*

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**Online:** Please visit our Web site at [www.mnhospitals.org](http://www.mnhospitals.org); click on "Events" and log-in to register.

**Questions:** Contact MHA's education department at (651) 641-1121.