



Speaker Bios

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Noelle Dale-Brown

Noelle Dale-Brown is a distinguished Health Information Leader and Educator with an unwavering commitment to driving positive change in the healthcare industry. With a diverse background spanning from her roots in Jamaica to her current endeavors in the United States, Noelle's journey reflects a passion for healthcare and education.

Starting her career in non-profit settings, Noelle worked closely with at-risk populations, recognizing the power of education in transforming lives. Her dedication to health education led her to host radio programs, engaging communities and emphasizing grassroots collaboration. Noelle was actively involved in Non-Profit work, contributing to the fight against HIV/AIDS.

In the United States, Noelle's career in healthcare began as a compassionate Registered Medical Assistant, providing exemplary patient care. Fueling her desire for excellence, she achieved a bachelor's degree in health information management, earning the prestigious RHIA credentials.

Additionally, Noelle holds certifications in Lean Six Sigma Green Belt and Scrum methodologies, showcasing her commitment to continuous improvement. As an Adjunct Instructor, Noelle's teaching style is characterized by collaboration and open communication, fostering engaging environments that empower her students and staff to thrive. She is currently enrolled in MHA at the University of Arizona Global Campus in 2023 and continues to seek learning opportunities.

With over a decade of supervisory, managerial, and clinical experience within health informatics, governance & compliance, and patient access services, Noelle currently serves as a Health Information Manager of HIM Document Imaging.

Her vision for the future revolves around continuous learning to leading with heart through compassionate, conscious and transformative leadership practices. Through her dedication to creating a healthier world through empathy, knowledge, and innovation, Noelle Dale-Brown stands strives through her own experiences, to continue to learn and make significant impact on healthcare and education alike.



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Rebecca G. Mishuris, MD, MS, MPH
Chief Medical Information Officer and VP
Mass General Brigham

Rebecca Grochow Mishuris, MD, MS, MPH, FAMIA is the CMIO at Mass General Brigham. She is responsible for the vision and strategy of clinical information systems that impact patients, care team members, providers, and researchers, and alignment of health IT with overall organizational priorities. Dr. Mishuris conducts research on the integration of health information technology in care delivery to identify impacts on quality, patient experience, provider well-being, and cost. She is a practicing primary care physician at Brigham and Women's Hospital. Prior to entering medicine, she served as a Consultant with a business and technology consulting firm.



Barbara Carr, RHIA

40+ years' experience in the HIM field. Most recently as the Assistant Vice President of HIM for the Einstein Healthcare Network in Philadelphia, PA. Einstein is a multi-facility 800+ bed teaching integrated healthcare system in Philadelphia. Prior to Einstein, Barbara was the Corporate Director of HIM for Christiana Care, a 1000+ bed teaching healthcare network in Wilmington, DE. Barbara is currently acting as a strategic advisor to Verisma.



Elizabeth McElhiney MHA, CHPS, CPHIMS, CRIS

Elizabeth McElhiney MHA, CHPS, CPHIMS, CRIS, Director of Compliance is responsible for the administration of Verisma's privacy and compliance programs, working with clients to implement evidence-based best practices, and overseeing Verisma's thought leadership initiatives. Ms. McElhiney has worked in Health Information Management and Release of Information for over 15 years; covering all areas of the industry from customer service to compliance. She currently sits on the Illinois Health Information Management Association (ILHIMA) Board of Directors as the lead delegate to the American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) House of Delegates. In addition, she is the current Regulatory Chair at the Association of Health Information Outsourcing Solutions (AHIOS).



Panelists:

Elaine Ippolito, MA, MLS, RHIA, Associate Professor of Health Information Management, Connecticut State Community College, Middlesex Campus



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Tina Cloutier, CPC, CRC, COC-P, COC, Risk Adjustment Auditor, Point32Health
Tina is a Risk Adjustment Specialist for over 8 years of experience at Point32Health.



Melissa Young, MHA, RHIT, Senior Director, Enterprise Coding Common Spirit Health Colorado/Utah/Kansas Divisions & Incoming President of MaHIMA.

Melissa has numerous years' experience in the HIM and Coding field. She has been responsible for coding compliance, inpatient coding, outpatient coding, physician coding, CDI, HIM, and consulting in her past positions. She is currently the Senior Director Enterprise Coding for CommonSpirit Health where she oversees coding operations for Colorado, Kansas and Utah. She has served as the Director of Education for two consecutive terms and is currently the incoming President for MaHIMA on July 1, 2024.



Sharon S. Kamowitz - J.D., CIPP/US, Sharon Kamowitz Privacy & Compliance Consulting

Sharon Kamowitz is an attorney, Certified Information Privacy Professional, CIPP/US) and the founder of Sharon Kamowitz Privacy & Compliance Consulting, where she helps healthcare providers and other businesses navigate complex privacy, compliance, and related legal issues. Sharon's career has spanned healthcare and insurance both in-house and as a regulator. Before beginning her consulting practice, she was Assistant Privacy Officer at Fresenius Medical Care North America, and previously, Director and Associate General Counsel at Coverys (formerly ProMutual Group), a provider of medical professional liability insurance. In these roles she developed comprehensive compliance and privacy programs addressing federal and state regulatory requirements and gained expertise in HIPAA from both covered entity and business associate perspectives.