

## **Champion Award**

The MaHIMA Champion Award honors those whose long-term and enthusiastic support of MaHIMA and the HIM profession has advanced MaHIMA's capacity to achieve its mission and/or advanced HIM practice.

**Qualifications:** Qualified nominees are individuals, groups, or corporations who have worked tirelessly to support the HIM profession by advancing MaHIMA's mission. These are best characterized as individuals or organizations that go above and beyond in their quest to make the HIM profession thrive, either locally in the state of Massachusetts or on the national level.

**Guidelines:** Nomination criteria for this award include the following:

- Positioning the HIM profession as a leadership force in the healthcare industry regarding the use, protection, and interpretation of health information and data.
- Introduction of creative practice innovations through advances in technology, development of more effective quality management measures, or new methods of promoting employee motivation and job satisfaction.
- Demonstrated leadership in HIM education as a speaker, teacher, or facilitator.
- Providing inspiration, guidance, and opportunities for emerging leaders to participate in MaHIMA's volunteer structure and to build meaningful leadership experiences.
- Actively support MaHIMA's mission "behind-the-scenes" by offering critical logistical support and assistance in MaHIMA's educational programs.
- Developing new methods of more open and just-in-time communication between MaHIMA leadership and membership to encourage environmental scanning, transparency, and active engagement.

**Eligibility:** both MaHIMA members and non-members may qualify. Individuals may receive this award more than once but not within 5 years of the previous award.

**Recognition:** at the MaHIMA Winter meeting the recipient(s) will receive:

- Meeting registration (including lunch)
- Recognition in MaHIMA Connect
- Framed certificate of award